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SPAIN'S HARD LOT

Philippine Islands Revolution Assumes Serious Proportions.

THE COUNTRY FULL OF SEDITION

Troops To Be Concentrated About Manila To Protect the Capital. European Residents Organize for Safety.

London, Dec. 17.—The Times to-day prints a dispatch from Singapore, saying that the Spanish troops now stationed on the islands composing the Philippine group, will be withdrawn and concentrated in and about Manila, the capital of the islands. The rebels, according to the dispatch, number 50,000. The defenses of Cavite will also be strengthened. The country is full of sedition, and several soldiers have been shot at Mindano for mutiny. The European residents of Manila have formed a committee for the protection of their lives and property.

WAIL FROM HAVANA.

Spanish Newspapers Object to the Cuban Agitation in the United States.

Havana, Dec. 17.—The Diario de la Marina, in consequence of having received from its New York correspondent dispatches giving accounts of the excitement caused throughout the United States by the stories of the alleged treacherous manner in which Maceo was done to death, prints an energetic protest against the circulation of such reports, which it characterizes as gross falsehoods and insults to Spanish chivalry and honor. In the course of its article the Diario comments in scathing terms upon the action of the American newspaper press in printing "such lies."

Weyler's Recall Demanded.

Madrid, Dec. 17.—El Correo Militar demands that Gen. Weyler be recalled from Cuba and be replaced by Gen. Marin, Gen. Macias, now in command of the troops in the Canary islands, succeeding the marquis of Ahumada as second in command.

Favors Recognition of the Insurgents.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 17.—Gov. Holcomb has made public his attitude concerning the Cuban insurgents and the alleged assassination of Gen. Maceo. He said: "The belligerent rights of Cuban revolutionists should have been recognized by our national governmen. Their valiant fight, so long continued, to free themselves from the yoke of European oppression, entitles them to the sympathy of every American." The governor declared that in the event of war with a foreign nation Nebraska could furnish 1,200 drilled and organized troops, and that 200,000 Nebraskans stood ready to defend the country's honor.

Cuban Sympathizers in Baltimore.

Baltimore, Dec 17.—Cuban sympathizers in Baltimore contemplate the organization of a branch of the Cuban junta to promote the cause of the Cuban revolution This is said to be part of a plan to locate organizations of this character in every city of any size in the United States.

The Storm at Plymouth.

Plymouth, Mass., Dec. 17.—Tuesday's storm was the worst seen about these parts for years. Snow fell fast and the wind blew a gale from the northeast. The harbor was one seething mass of foam and the tide was very high, washing up over the wharves. All along the streets are limbs of shade trees and chimneys have been blown off in many parts of the town. The top of the piazza of the Samoset house was blown off. Along Water street the telegraph and telephone poles are down and the service is crippled. Much damage was done to vessels in the harbor.

Army and Navy Musical Service.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Mr. Johnson, rep., Cal., has introduced in the house a bill for the re-organization and improvement of the musical service of the army, navy, marine corps and the bands of the military and naval academies. The measure increases the pay of musicians, provides for their enlistment for terms of three years and gives the chief bandmaster of all bands the rank of second lieutenant in the army and of junior lieutenant in the navy.

Gov.-elect Black in New York.

New York, Dec. 17.—Gov.-elect Black was entertained at dinner last night at the Fifth Avenue hotel by Frank S. Witherbee of Port Henry, who was at one time republican national committeeman for the state and also state committeeman for his district. The dinner was a private one, about a dozen in all being invited. Mr. Black will, it is expected, remain in town a day or two.

Ian MacLaren's Charity.

New York, Dec. 17.—Rev. John Watson, D. D. (Ian MacLaren) has donated the proceeds of his lecture ($500) on Robert Burns, delivered on Friday last, to the St. Andrew's society of the state of New York, to be devoted to [illegible] of the poor and destitute [illegible] be installed.

THEY DIED FOR LOVE.

A 19-Year-Old Boy Shoots a 38-Year-Old Woman and Himself.

Plymouth, N. H., Dec. 17.—Harry Frizzell, aged 19 years, shot Mrs. Edith Caldon Young, aged about 38 years, here yesterday afternoon and then himself. Neither party is expected t live. Mrs. Young was keeping the Central hotel and young Frizzell, who is a relative by marriage, has been stoping with her for the past few days. No trouble is known to have existed between them. The people around the house did not notice anything wrong. Neither did the first comers after the tragedy see any evidence of a struggle, as the house was in a very orderly condition. The victims were found on a bed in a room out of the hall. An investigation showed that Mrs. Young was shot in both ears and Frizzell had shot himself twice in one ear and made an attempt to put a bullet in his breast. Mrs. Young and Frizzell were both in a semi-conscious condition, and so the cause of the terrible deed can only be surmised from the following letter that was found on the floor and was written by Frizzell: "It is just 3 o'clock now, and in fifteen minutes Ede and I will both be dead. Perhaps you will think I am drunk or crazy, but I am neither. I never felt better in my life, but Ede says she will die rather than have me leave her, so we have decided to die together. From Harry and his darling Ede. Good-bye to all."

UNITED STATES WINS.

Sureties of ex-Mint Superintendent Bosbyshell Mulcted in $14,412.17.

Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—An opinion has been filed by Judge Acheson in the United States circuit court of appeals, deciding the cases of Oliver C. Bosbyshell, ex-superintendent of the mint, and his sureties on his bond in favor of the United States. Last May a verdict was rendered in the United States district court in favor of the United States against the ex-superintendent and the sureties on his $100,000 bond for $14,412.17. The action was brought to recover the remining shortage caused by the stealing of gold bullion by ex-chief weigher Henry S. Cochran. The sureties on the bond are Ludwig S. Filbert, the executors of the estate of Gen. William Lilly, the executors of the estate of George W. Childs and the executors of the estate of John Mundell. Mr. Bosbyshell and his sureties were proceeded against to make good the shortage, upon the ground that as superintendent Mr. Bosbyshell was responsible for shortages occurring while he held the office. The verdict represented the balance of the shortage in gold bullion with interest added.

SENATOR PALMER TO SPEAK.

His Opinion as to the Course of the Gold Standard Democrats.

Washington, Dec 17.—It is possible that some information regarding the attitude of the gold standard democrats in the senate on the tariff and other political questions may be gained from a speech to be delivered in a few days in the senate by senator John M. Palmer of Illinois, the presidential candidate of the gold democrats It is understood that the speech will be explicit as to the course that in Senator Palmer's opinion should be followed by the gold standard democrats in the future Mr. Palmer made a study of the political situation in the south during his campaign tour and has some interesting ideas to announce. He believes that new political leaders are coming to the front in all the southern states, and it is understood that he still thinks that the democrats could have won if they had nominated a gold standard southern democrat like Judge Turner of Georgia, instead of Mr. Bryan. Judge Turner was Senator Palmer's candidate at the Indianapolis convention.

Masonic Life Association Insolvent.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 17.—Charles W. Calkins has been appointed receiver of the Michigan Masonic Life association. This action was prayed for by the directors of the association some time ago, and Judge Grove declares the company insolvent and directed that the affairs of the concern be wound up.

Ocean Steamers Overdue.

New York, Dec. 17.—There are now nineteen steamers overdue here from European ports. This is an unusually large list, and it contains the names of nine steamers that are from two to six days overdue, the cause, of course, being attributed to the rough weather at sea, as reported by the steameas Lucania and St. Louis, which came in very late, and also by the British steamer Asloun, which arrived, twenty days from Gibraltar, being about five days behind time.

Col. Fellows' Successor.

Albany, Dec. 17.—Gov. Morton last evening appointed William M. K. Olcott as district-attorney of New York county in the place made vacant by the death of Col. John R. Fellows. The salaried positions attached to the office aggregate $178,000. Mr. Olcott is a republican and will hold office under this appointment until Jan. 1, 1898, when his successor, to be chosen at the general election next fall, will be installed.

THE DINGLEY BILL

No Hope for Its Passage by the Present Congress.

INTERESTING DEBATE IN THE SENATE

Mr. Allen's Resolution To Take Up the Measure Causes Some Very Pointed Allusions to Fraud in the Recent Election.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Because no speeches were made nor action taken on the Cuban resolutions in the senate yesterday is no reason for believing that the subject has been dropped. On the contrary the matter may come up any day, and it is likely that there will be some discussion on one or more of the various resolutions before the senate adjourns to-night. A very interesting and important discussion upon Mr. Allen's, pop., Neb., resolution to take up the Dingley bill for consideration in the senate was started by Mr. Vest, and was participated in by Senators Allen, Chandler, Gallinger, Frye, Hale, Aldrich, Sherman, Teller and Gorman. In the course of the debate more than one allusion was made to frauds and corruption at the late presidental election, and Mr. Telier remarked pointedly that he was not certain that his candidate (Mr. Bryan) had been defeated. Mr. Allen questioned whether any difference could be pointed out between political principles of the republican party and of Mr. Cleveland; and said jocularly that the president and the republicans would have to be tagged in order to enable a person to distinguish the one from the other. The upshot of the debate was a complete acquiesence on both sides of the chamber in the fact that the Dingley bill could not possibly be passed at the present session and that the enactment of a new tariff bill would have to go over to a new session of congress, to be convened as early as possible.

House of Representatives.

The house devoted nearly all of a four-hour session to the army appropriation bill in committee of the whole. A great portion of the time was spent in discussing a ruling of the chairman, that an amendment to cut off the Hot Springs hospital, as recommended by the surgeon-general and the secretary of war, was out of order, being a change of existing law. The discussion was quite interesting, several members participating. The question was important, as affecting the power of the house to limit, restrict or define the expenditure of money carried by an appropriation bill On one point the committee sustained the chairman, but later refused to sustain him, and the amendment cutting out the hospital was agreed to. In the house Mr. Little made the point of no quorum on the vote adoping the amendment, and none appeared on the count of the speaker. Mr. Bailey asked unanimous consent for consideration of his resolution directing the committee on naval affairs to investigate the construction of the battleship Texas, but it was referred to the committee without action.

Crew Rescued by Life Savers.

Nantasket Beach, Mass., Dec. 17.—The three-masted schooner Ulrica, Capt. James Patterson, from Hillsboro, N. B., for Hoboken, N. J., with plaster, came ashore during yesterday's storm on Nantasket beach near Kenbrem and is a total loss. The Hull life-saving crew, under command of Capt. Joshua James, rescued the captain, first mate and crew of five men, after struggling heroically for nearly two hours. The second mate was swept overboard some time during the night by the heavy seas and drowned. The men were all badly frostbitten and suffered greatly from their hardships. Soon after the men were taken off the schooner broke in two.

Mrs. Curris Undoubtedly Insane.

Buffalo, Dec. 17.—Little is known here concerning Mrs. H. H. D. Curris, the wealthy Pittsburg woman, who was taken into custody here yesterday on the charge of insanity, but she is without doubt mentally unsound. She engaged a hack and drove to the Sisters' hospital on Main street and demanded to see her mother, who, she said, was an inmate of the institution. There was no such person there, and the physician informed the driver that the woman was insane and advised him to take her to the police station at once. She had nearly $100 in money with her. She is about 30 years old.

Another Polar Expedition by Balloon.

Paris, Dec. 17.—Godart and Surcouf, two aeronauts, are about to organize a baloon expedition to the North pole. They state that the idea was first suggested to them, about three years ago, by Walter Wellman, but the idea was temporarily given up.

Behring Sea Commission.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—The Behring sea commission that has been in session at Victoria for some weeks past is expected to arrive in San Francisco the latter part of this week, when the investigation will be continued.

M'KINLEY IN CHICAGO

The President-elect's Short Respite from Officeseekers.

IN NEED OF REST AND RECREATION

Will Probably Remain in the Windy City Until Wednesday of Next Week — Denies Himself to All Callers.

Chicago, Dec. 17. — President-elect McKinley arrived here this morning in a private car placed at his disposal by the Pennsylvania railroad. He was accompanied by Charles G. Dawes of this city; Capt. H. O. Heistand, his acting confidential secretary, and several newspaper correspondents. The president-elect went at once to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette McWilliams, where his wife is staying. He has denied himself to all callers so far. Major McKinley expects to remain in Chicago for a week at least. His reason for leaving Canton was to join his wife and in a measure to gain much needed rest, a change of scene and to escape the throng of unimportant visitors who call to say they were "original McKinley men" and to intimate that they were willing to assist the government by accepting some office. This is the second time since his nomination that Major McKinley has left Canton. The other occasion was his visit to Cleveland at the time of the centennial celebration in that city July last. Major McKinley's health is sound, but he feels the need of rest and recreation. His toil for six months has been incessant, and judged by ordinary standards, excessive. The cabinet will be discussed some in Chicago. Politicians of importance will find the president-elect and talk about big men and measures. "The Wisconsin situation," said John Hicks of Oshkosh, Wis., ex-minister, to Peru, who was at Canton to see Major McKinley just before he started for Chicago, "will, of course, be talked about while Major McKinley is in Chicago. Wisconsin is not remote and some of our people will want to say a word about Mr. Payne or ex-Gov. Hoard, who are the cabinet possibilities in Wisconsin. Mr. Payne is the choice of a large majority of the men who are the active participants in politics, and ex-Gov. Hoard is very strong with the farmers. They would like to see him made secretary of agriculture."

APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICE.

8,000 Ohio Citizens Would Like To Serve Under Major McKinley.

Canton, O., Dec. 17.—It is now known that Senator John Sherman will not be a member of the cabinet. His feeling is that he can be of more service to Major McKinley's administration and to the republican party by remaining in the senate, and he will be a candidate for re-election. Mark Hanna states that more than 8,000 citizens of Ohio have filed applications for appointment to federal office under the McKinley administration. It is thought the number will reach 12,000.

Invitation for Major McKinley.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—The Press club of Chicago, under whose auspices the Carlisle, Pa., Indian school football team will play the University of Wisconsin eleven at the Coliseum by electric light Saturday night, has sent an invitation to Major McKinley to be the club's guest on that occasion.

The Montgomery Gibbs Reward.

Buffalo, Dec. 17.—In the supreme court Justice Lambert has handed down a decision disposing of the contest between the Cleveland detectives for the reward made for the capture of Clarence and Sadie Robinson, the slayers of Montgomery Gibbs. The decision holds that Deputy Sheriff Arams is entitled to one-fifth of the city's reward, or $100, and that Detective Doran is entitled to the remaining four-fifths, or $400. The reward of $1,000 offered by relatives of Gibbs will be apportioned according to this decision, Doran receiving $800 and Abrams $200.

Cardinal Gibbons' New Book.

Baltimore, Dec. 17.—Cardinal Gibbons' new book, "The Ambassador of Christ," is out. Many subjects are touched upon. One of the chapters deals with the value of discipline in the various relations of life, and especially in religious institutions. His eminence also recommends the cultivation of patriotic sentiments in American youth

To Fill a Vacant County Office.

Albany, Dec. 17.—It is expected that Gov. Morton will appoint George Yokel, deputy county clerk of Onondaga, as county clerk to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the clerk of that county.

$14,000 for Charity.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 17.—The will of the late John Bush of Spencer disposes of an estate valued at $45,000, of which $14,000 is bequeathed to charitable uses.

Bought by the Philadelphia Club.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 17.—Mains, the Bangor, New England league, pitcher, has been sold to the Philadelphia club of the National league.

THE TEXAS ALL RIGHT.

Engineers Moore and Farmer Held Responsible for the Recent Accident.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Herbert has issued a very full statement as to the condition and seaworthy qualities of the battleship Texas, in which he states that she is the equal, if not the superior, of any vessel in the navy. In this opinion he is sustained by Charles H. Cramp and naval officers who have been connected with the construction and navigation of the ship. While the court of inquiry which investigated the sinking of the Texas on Nov. 9 attached no blame to any one for the accident, which it found due to a defective casting in a valve yoke and the possible existence of open valves between compartments, Secretary Herbert, on the recommendation of the judge advocate-general, finds Chief Engineers Moore of the ship and Farmer of the navy yard "reprehensibly careless," and if they "had not each failed in his duty this accident could not have happened." A mild reprimand, in the form of a copy of these findings, has been sent to the two affected officers.

Destitution in Newfoundland.

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 17.—Further reliable reports show the spread of destitution at White Bay, in the extreme northern portion of the island. Urgent demands are being made upon the government to provide relief. On her last trip the mail steamer tried to reach there, but was unable to do so owning to the ice blockade. She had to land the provisions sent at a place twenty-five miles south of the station intended. The government will probably send an additional supply of provisions on the next trip of the steamer as that will be the last chance to reach the unfortunates until spring.

Brigadier-General C. N. G.

Winsted, Conn., Dec. 17.—Gov.-elect Cooke has announced his intention to appoint Col. Russell Frost of South Norwalk to the command of the brigade of the C. N. G., succeeding Gen. Havens, appointed adjutant-general. The new brigadier general was born in Delhi, N. Y., and is 43 years of age. His military service has been performed in the Fourth regiment, of which he has been commanding officer since 1892.

Barcelona Bomb Throwers' Sentences.

Barcelona, Dec. 17.—The trial by a military court of the prisoners charged with throwing a bomb in a crowded street while a religious procession was passing on June 7 last has been concluded. The sentences will be decided upon in camera and will not be made public, and any person having knowledge of the penalties imposed and divulging them will be severely punished.

11 3-10 Inches of Snow at Plainfield.

Plainfield, N. J., Dec. 17.—Weather Observer Neagle of this city reports that 11 3-10 inches snow fell in this vicinity during the storm yesterday. Many of the country roads are almost impassable on account of the heavy drifts made by the high wind which accompanied the snow fall. At High Bridge, N. J., twenty-five miles from here, there was no fall of snow.

Galveston Court House in Ruins.

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 17.—The Galveston county court house is a mass of ruins, and it is doubtful if any of the records outside of those in the steel fire-proof vaults will be saved, and it is thought those may be badly damaged. The fire burned until early this morning.

Cash Entries of Lands.

Washington, Dec. 17.—House bill to confirm cash entries of lands under the law of 1854, which are illegal and invalid, because never offered for sale, if upon examination by the land office they are found otherwise regular, has been favorably reported to the senate from the committee on public lands.

Two Barges Missing.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 17.—Nothing has yet been heard as to the whereabouts of the barges Chalmette and Charter Oak, which the tug Ice King lost somewhere near Point Judith during yesterday's storm, but it is believed both are safe.

Newark Returns to Key West.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 17.—The cruiser Newark has returned to this port. It is reported that she went as far as the Bahama banks, but failed to see anything of the Three Friends.

Accidentally Killed His Companion.

Somerville, N. J., Dec. 17.—Willie Swinson, aged 13 years, accidentally shot and killed his 12-year-old companion, Herbert Hayes, last evening, near East Millstone.

C. R. Crisp Elected to Congress.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 16.—Charles R. Crisp has been elected to fill the unexpired term of his father, the late ex-Speaker Crisp, in congress. He had no opposition.

The Machias's Winter Cruise.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The gunboat Machias has left Amoy, China, for Swatow on her way to Hong Kong and other southern Chinese ports for her winter cruise.

STILL IN THE SWAMPS

The President Has Good Luck on His Duck Shooting Trip.

GOES ALSO FOR A DEER DRIVE

He May Succeed in Adding a Buck or Two to His List of Game—Replies to Mayor Morgan's Invitation.

Georgetown, S. C., Dec. 17.—The government launch Water Lily came up to the city last night, bringing mail and dispatches from the presidential party. From what can be learned the president is well and enjoying the shooting. The party went duck shooting yesterday at Wood's pond and had good luck. As a deer drive had been arranged for the day, they were forced to leave the ducks and go to the drive. But the woods were so wet from the recent rains that the dogs could not keep the trail of the deer and the hunt was abandoned. The party broke camp late in the afternoon, and, embarking on the Water Lily, came from the Santee through the Mosquito creek canal to the lighthouse tender Wistaria, which was anchored in Winyah bay, near South island. After receiving the party and taking on board the baggage and bags of game, the Wistaria steamed over to Muddy bay, where she anchored last night, about a mile from the Annanadale club lodge, or Friend Field. President Cleveland and his companions went ducking in the marshes this morning. They will remain at Friend Field until Saturday, going ducking each morning, and as an invitation has been extended them by the Messrs. Donaldson Brothers for a deer drive on their lands, it is probable that they may yet have the pleasure of adding a buck or two to their list of game. Mayor Morgan received an acknowledgement from the president of the invitation and resolutions extended by the city council and citizens to attend a reception there as he passes through on his return to Washington, in which he states that his plans are not definitely formed, but that he will answer definitely in a day or two.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

An English Delegate's Complimentary Remarks About Americans.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—The afternoon session of the Federation of Labor was opened by a talk by delegate Samuel Woods of Great Britain on his impressions during his short stay in America, his remarks being of a highly complimentary nature to America as a nation, and an expression of the great gratification which he and his colleague, Mr. Manlinson of Scotland, feel at finding such a high order of intelligence in the deliberative bodies of labor organization in the United States. He then read an exhaustive paper on European labor, the late meeting of the European labor congress at Edinburgh, Scotland, and the progress made in recent years by the labor organizations of Great Britain, setting forth what organization has accomplished for working people and what it hopes to accomplish in the future. The paper laid special stress on the fact that trades unions have brought about a system of compulsory education which, while it was admitted was greatly inferior to the educational system of the United States, was yet a very important and gratifying accomplishment, which all previous efforts had failed to bring about until the organized labor unions took the matter up and pushed it to its first fruition, with good prospects that the work so well begun would be prosecuted until a public school system similar in many respects, and equal in value to the masses and to poorer people to that in vogue in the United States, will be established.

Steamship Loses Her Propeller.

Queenstown, Dec 17.—The British steamship British Empire, which left Boston on November 22 for London, has arrived here towing the British steamship Hazelmoor, from Shields on for Baltimore, which had lost her propeller. The accident to the Hazelmoor occurred 1,000 miles west of Fastnet. After losing her propeller she started to return under sail and reached the west coast of Ireland, when she was taken in tow by the British Empire.

Schooner Modesty a Total Loss.

Boston, Dec. 17.—The two-masted schooner Modesty, which sank some time ago below Boston light, was driven ashore at Nantasket beach yesterday. Divers had removed some ten tons of slate, about seventy tons and 200,000 laths remaining in the vessel. The schooner will be a total loss.

British Brig Foundered.

London, Dec. 17.—The British brig Alderney, which sailed from Rio Janeiro, August 29, has foundered near Guia, Brazil. Her crew were rescued.

Six Inches of Snow at New Haven.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 17.—Six inches of snow fell here during the storm yesterday, and the country roads are badly blocked.

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THE QUESTION OF PHOSPHORUS

Value of a Fish Diet in Bringing About Intellectual Development.

It is a homely saying that a fish diet, on account of the amount of phosphorus supposed to be found in fish is most desirable for the sustenance and benefit of those who use their brains. There is a general opinion that fish is the food for men of genius, but though this claim has repeatedly been disputed, fish diet continues to find favor among many persons. The Saturday Review has recently taken up a controversy with some of the British medical journals on this subject, and in the course of it declares that "the style and character of Dr. Johnson remained the same whether he drank lemonade and tea or port and punch." On champagne and ortolans, the writer adds, Burns would have written neither better nor worse than on collops and toddy.

This controversy has revived some inquiry into the matter of fish as a diet, apart from the effects produced upon celebrated individuals. It is a fact well known and not disputed that professional fishermen are not noted for intellectual activity. The Cornishmen of England, the Brittany fishermen of France, and the Newfoundland fishermen of North America, to say nothing of the fishermen of the Jersey coast, the Long Island coast or of Massachusetts, do not rival the graduates of established universities in forensic debates or bibliological controversies. In Germany, for instance, the consumption of fish to the inhabitant averages eight pounds a year. In Portugal the average is 12 pounds, and it will not be contended that the Portuguese are, generally speaking, more intellectual than the people of Germany. The consumption of fish in Norway is far in excess of what it is in Italy. The average consumption of fish in the city of Paris is 30 pounds to the inhabitant a year; in the large cities of Russia of which records are preserved the average is 50 pounds, and it is not easy to establish from these figures any equation which would show that the consumption of fish is favorable to the mental development of the inhabitants.

There is one benefit which fish possesses over other elements of diet; it retains more of its substance in boiling. One hundred pounds of beef boiled shrinks to 67; 100 pounds of mutton boiled to 75; 100 pounds of fish boiled to 94. On the basis of nutritive value, taking beef as the standard, codfish represents 68, turbot 85, herring 100—the same as beef—and salmon 108, a little more. Fish in moderation is probably as desirable a food as any, but an exclusive fish diet is not particularly favorable, so far as there are records at hand to show, to the development of intellectual qualities of individuals who on beefsteak, oatmeal or wiener schnitzel are unable to pluck from the hand of fame the laurels of triumph on the paths of prose or poetic composition, campaign oratory, political economy or art, to say nothing of music and architecture.—N. Y. Sun.

THE QUEEN'S CONTEMPORARIES

Those Who Have Passed Away During Her Majesty's Reign.

Where, midst the countless inhabitants of the British empire at home and abroad, is there any one now living who can have known, seen and conversed with so many of her greatest and most illustrious contemporaries as our good and gracious queen? In politics, in art and in science, in peace and in war, in church and state, in literature and poetry, in invention and engineering, in music and song, in the wide field of social success, in charm of conversation, of personal beauty and linguistic attainments, hardly a man or a woman has won fame and distinction without having been honored by the queen with one or more interviews. Were we to attempt to recall the vast army of the departed that she has known and holds in her faithful memory this column might easily be swollen into a volume. Here, for instance, are some of those "familiar people; death has made them dear," of whom Crabbe spoke lines which Sir Walter Scott could never read without a tear. People who, like the specters appearing to Britomart, in Merlin's magic glass, must, from time to time, flash before her majesty's retrospective eyes and fill her mind with a gentle, pleasing melancholy which "resembles sorrow only as the mist resembles rain."

The queen has outlived all the members of the privy council who were alive in 1837.

All the peers who held their titles in 1837, except the earl of Darnley, who was ten, and Lord Nelson, who was 14, in that year.

All the members who sat in the house of commons on her accession to the throne, except Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Charles Villiers, the present duke of Northumberland, the earl of Mexborough and the earl of Mansfield, and Mr. John Temple Leader.

Her majesty has seen 11 lord chancellors, ten prime ministers, six speakers of the house of commons, at least three bishops of every see and five or six of many sees, five archbishops of Canterbury and six archbishops of York, and five commanders in chief.

She has seen five dukes of Norfolk succeed each other as earls marshal, and has outlived every duke and duchess and every marquis and marchioness who bore that rank in 1837.

She has outlived every member of the Jockey club and every master of fox-hounds that flourished in 1837.

She has seen 17 presidents of the United States, ten viceroys of China, 13 viceroys of India, and France successively ruled by one king, one emperor and six presidents of a republic.

The list, indeed, might be even further extended.—London Telegraph.

Allowances.

Mr. Happy—Yes, sir, I make my wife a regular allowance every week. Don't you yours?

Mr. Hunpeck—No-o. She makes me an allowance, when I earn enough.—N. Y. Weekly.

VOTE-COUNTING DEVICE.

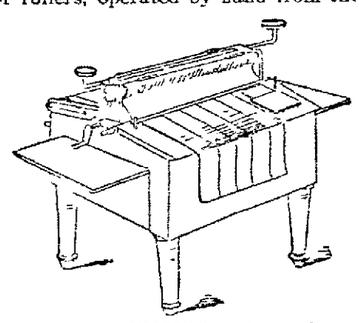
Desk and Machine for Use of Election Judges.

Its Inventor Claims That the Adoption of His Contrivance Would Save Lots of Money and Assure Absolute Accuracy.

In order to hasten the business of counting ballots with accuracy and without fraud, George M. Greer, of Benedict, Neb., has invented a special table for the use of judges. A general idea of the plan of procedure which he has in view may be interesting. The system is available only where the Australian ballot is used, and where the names of rival candidates for the same office are printed one after another in a single column instead of parallel columns.

When the polls are closed and the ballots are sorted, the "straights" are put in separate piles and then are made up in bunches of ten in the following manner: First, two ballots are laid face to face and thrust on a spindle together, pains being taken to have the point of the spike pass through a hole punched in the head of the ballot by the printer, in order to secure uniformity. Five such pairs are arranged side by side, on a five-pointed gauge-bar, and the tops of each set, the upper and lower, are connected by a pasted cross strip. Afterward, in the process of counting, one set of five can be pasted to the bottom of another set, thus making a continuous series, five wide. Scratched tickets can be made up in similar batches, but will be counted differently, of course.

The judges are provided with a desk or table having sloping surfaces on opposite sides, so that two of them can work at once, facing each other. Across the table between them is a long slot, and below the latter a pair of rollers, operated by hand from the



VOTE COUNTING MACHINE.

outside. It is intended that when the judges have called off the vote from each set of five, the whole ten shall be drawn by the rollers down into the hollow interior of the desk, and a fresh set of five (newly pasted onto the other) would be drawn up into position for counting. It is intended that the rollers be long enough and the desk be wide enough to provide for a tally-sheet, arranged on an endless belt, moving simultaneously with the tickets. This printed sheet is spaced to correspond with the tickets, and is expected to come around regularly each time a set of ten tickets is run through the mill. Only a small part of the sheet shows through an opening in the desk at any one time, but it is properly supported underneath, and a folding-arm rest is provided for the use of each clerk of the two desks engaged in recording the vote, as the judges declare the same. A straight edge, reaching clear across the desk up near the central slot, serves as a guide to the judge's eye in looking from ticket to the tally-sheet. Sockets are provided for lamps, as the work must be done after daylight. Mr. Greer claims that his plan saves time, insures accuracy and also saves money to each ward or district, although he does not point out how this last-mentioned advantage is secured.

To Utilize the Earth's Heat.

According to the late expression of the trade and technical journals, the utilization of the earth's heat will be one of the next triumphs of the engineer. It is now pretty generally believed that this can be done by sinking wells or shafts to the depth of 12,000 or 15,000 feet into the bowels of the earth thus getting down to the central heat of the globe. Some argue that so great a depth cannot possibly be attained, but admit that it may not be impossible to penetrate even to 20,000 to 30,000 feet with the improved machinery which the coming engineer will have at his command. Water obtained from a depth of even 12,000 feet would have a temperature of 200 degrees, centigrade, which could be used to heat dwelling-houses and public buildings to say nothing of the immense amount of power it would supply.

The First Thermometer.

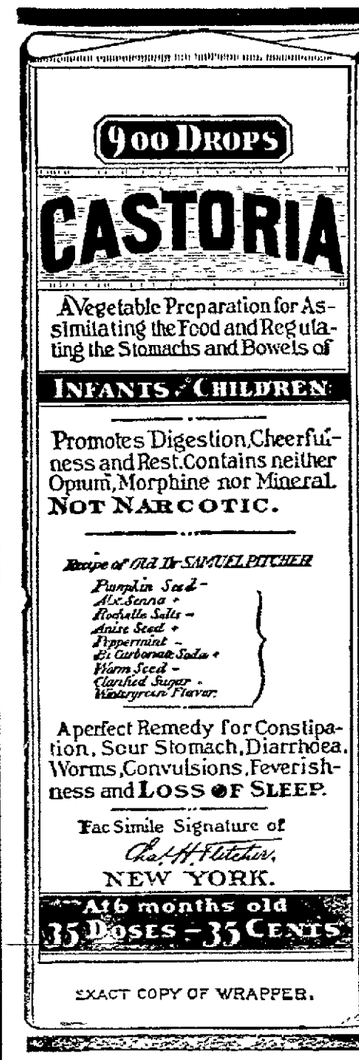
The first thermometer was made in 1621 by a Dutch physicist named Cornelius Van Drebbell, and consisted of a tube filled with air closed at its upper end and dipping at its other extremity which was open in a bottle of nitric acid diluted with water. As the temperature rose or fell the air in the tube increased or grew less in volume, and consequently the liquid descended or rose. This instrument is now known as an air thermometer, but as its measurements were based on no fixed principle it was of little use.

The Temple of Serpents.

The small town of Werda, in the kingdom of Dahomey, is celebrated for a loathsome den called the Temple of Serpents. It is a long building dedicated to the priests and mystery men of the kingdom and in it they keep thousands of snakes of all kinds and sizes. In Werda to kill a serpent is a crime punishable by death.

Mecca for Wedding Parties.

A Portland (Me.) couple, writing home from their wedding journey, said they found in Washington, at the hotel where they had quarters, 19 other newly-married couples.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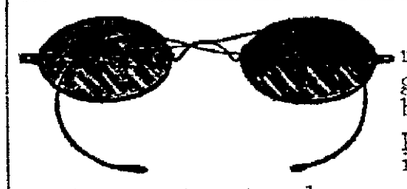

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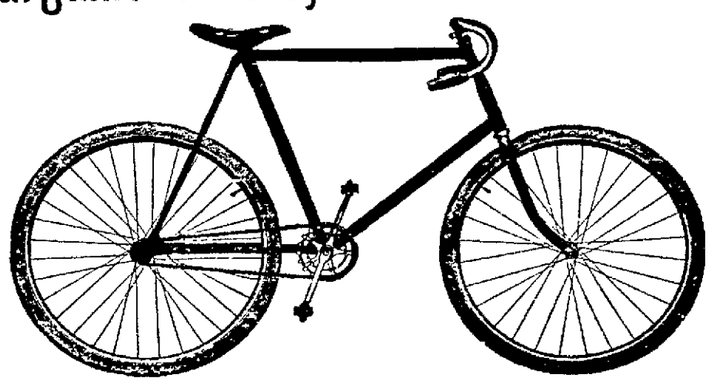

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UP THE MIDLAND.

A Costly Luxury—Unsalted Butter—Dull Times in the Acid Business—Slower Than Molasses in January—Vexatious Litigation—Would Raise the Price of Milk—Makes a Bull Useful—In the Poultry Business—Other Notes.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—If all the armories of the State are to be as expensive to the taxpayers as the new one at Walton promises to be, the taxpayers will begin to wish them like angels visits, fewer and farther between.

—The Downsville creamery is now making an article of butter for the Jewish trade that is not salted, for which it gets twenty-four cents. As Brother Doty, of the *Orange County Farmer*, is averse to the use of salt in his food the butter made at this factory would no doubt suit his taste.

—Fred Griffis, for the past ten years of the Edgerton Hotel, Delhi, is now running a hotel at Hancock.

—The article about the Livingston Manor female wood choppers waiting for the news of McKinley's election before they began work for fear that they would be compelled take fifty-three cent dollars, would have had much more force were it not for the fact that the price for cutting wood at nearly all of the acid factories has been reduced since McKinley's election, and, it is said, that those that are running now are doing so at a loss. Good times for the acid manufacturers and consequent advance in wages for the workmen have not materalized yet, by a long shot. The wood choppers both male and female are told that good times and better wages are on the way and that is all.

—A whole year has rolled around since the Inter-State Commerce Commission heard evidence for and against pro rata rates on milk and so far as the public is concerned they know no more about what the verdict will be than they did a year ago. Perhaps the mill of this Inter-State Commerce Commission is patterned after the fabled mills of the gods.

—Newell Youmans, of near Cooks Falls, is having a long and vexatious litigation with T. L. Lindsay, of Walton, over a private road to a farm that he bought about a year ago from Lindsay. The case was ready for trial, last Friday, before Squire Cook, but through the advice of his counsel, Hon. J. M. Maybee, the case was withdrawn and another action begun. He is seeking damages for Lindsay not furnishing him with a road to the farm. The whole matter will probably fetch up in the Supreme Court before it ended.

—When the New York city Board of Health decided to compel all milk dealers to take out a license it was supposed by many to be the entering wedge to, in the near future, cut off the feeding of ensilage. Should they at any time attempt to do so, it would double up the price of milk to the consumer. Following the short hay crop of last season there can be no doubt but that one-third of the city's supply of milk is now made from corn fodder either as ensilage, or dry, and that at least half of the corn grown is fed from the silo. That being the case, should they ever attempt to taboo silage they will regret it inside of six months after they have made the experiment.

—John Foster is a farmer and resides on the hill south of the Rockland station. Mr. Foster does all his work with a ball that he harnesses and drives horse fashion, and with now and then a slight misunderstanding on the part of his bullship, takes as much comfort in doing his work with him as if he was a $500 horse and can draw as much with him as with any horse of his weight. Marion Harland's picture of a man plowing with a camel in the Holy Land is tame compared to John Foster and his bull at work or on the road.

—Louis Supple, of Roscoe, has gone into the poultry business on an extensive scale. He has built and fitted up a commodious and modern hennery that is frost proof and besides is heated with steam. He has a large bone cutter that is operated with water power and gives his hens all the fresh ground bone they will eat. He claims for his new enterprise that it pays much better than keeping cows and selling milk, and that his hens are not half as likely to go on strike and reduce the profits as are the Consolidated Milk Exchange fellows to ruin the milk producer.

—The Downsville *News* will soon be of age, and I feel like congratulating Mr. Peck on his complete success after so long a struggle. That inland village has grown wonderfully during the past twenty years and it is but just to say that its excellent home paper has had much to do with its growth.

—The death of the young man Farber, of Horton's, from injuries received by having a tree fall upon him recently, mention of which was made in this paper at the time, recalls the fact that that some years ago, by the accidental discharge of his rifle, two young girls, one sitting on the other's lap, were both shot, the ball passing clear through the leg of one and lodging in the leg of the other where it now remains. The deceased was in no wise to blame for the accident any farther than too many are who forget that there is always an element of danger in handling a gun, and more particularly when it is a magazine rifle. The deceased was well liked by his associates who mourn deeply his untimely taking off.

—James McAdams, a farmer of Colchester, has had serious trouble for the past month with his throat caused, it is thought, by a beard of rye lodging in it while he was engaged in threshing that grain. Under the care of Dr. Maynard he is now making a speedy recovery.

—More partridges have been shot the present season in this locality than ever before. A good season for this kind of game always follows a mild winter in which heavy crusts do not form on deep snow.

—The Roscoe Manufacturing Company has secured all the hemlock timber it can for miles around, going to the East Branch water shed, eight miles away. It will be the last concern to finish sawing on the line of the O. and W., and will be able to furnish bill timber for many years to come. Before the O. and W. was running it was not thought profitable to have that kind of lumber more than five miles away, for then its only outlet was by the Delaware River.

Rusticus.

WURTSBORO.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—A two months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shimer died on Tuesday last

—Joseph Banks has returned from a three weeks' visit with his sons in New York and Port Chester, N. Y.

—Joseph Burns, of Roudout, and Catherine McKeon, of Westbrookville, are to be married soon.

—Cornelius Rutan has moved to Ira Sarine's house, northwest of town.

—Schreiner & Weber, of New York, will open a fancy and dry goods store in the Healy building, this week.

—Miss Lena Parsells is visiting in Middletown.

—Miss Jennie Edsall is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. T. Boyd, in Monroe.

RIDGEBURY.

A Christmas Cantata.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—A very pretty Christmas cantata, entitled, "The Birth of Christ," will be given by the members of the M. E. Sunday School, on Christmas eve. The cantata will consist of: Act 1st—Singing, "The Birth of Christ." Act 2d—The Frost King. Act 3d—Santa Claus appears, with the ringing of his sleigh bells, and distributes the gifts to the children. A small admission fee of fifteen cents will be charged. All who wish to enjoy a treat will come and hear it.

HER CURIOSITY WAS SATISFIED.

Met the Man Who Had Been Solicitous for Her.

A Vienna paper relates an amusing incident which occurred to a great lady who had just recovered from a long and severe illness. Seated in her boudoir she was looking over the cards of condolence that had been left for her while ill. Among the names of counts, barons and other aristocratic sympathizers emblazoned with coronets and coats of arms, she came across a simple card with the plain inscription: "Hermann Berger."

In vain the lady asked who Hermann Berger was. None of her servants could give her any other information than that the individual was a remarkably handsome young man. The lady's curiosity became excited and she gave orders to admit the stranger if he should call again.

The order was punctually obeyed, and on the following day she received a really charming young man, dressed in the most exquisite style, who evidently appeared greatly embarrassed at the honor of a tete-a-tete with the still brilliant though somewhat faded beauty.

"I can hardly find words," said the lady, with a blush, "to thank you for the sympathy which you have manifested for a stranger."

"I beg your pardon, gracious lady," stammered the dandy, "but I am the agent for Messrs. A. B., the undertakers!"

Antidote for Lockjaw.

An antidote for lockjaw has been found among the by-products of aniline dyes by Prof. Behring, who discovered the anti-toxin of diphtheria, and Dr. Knorr, of Berlin. They think that by means of it the percentage of deaths from traumatic tetanus may be reduced materially.

Questions of Degree.

Little Dick—Do you go to the circuses? Circuses is wicked.

Little Jack—Yes; the big shows is wicked, but the ten-cent shows ain't. Pop always takes us to them.—N. Y. Weekly.

The True Remedy.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

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"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear DeWitt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig-lamps." W. D. Olney.

REMARKABLE ENTERTAINING.

The Host Furnished Everything for His Guests.

A young woman has confided to a writer in the New York Times a somewhat extraordinary account of the manner in which a wealthy and well-known New Yorker treats those who are invited to the house parties at his suburban home. She was informed by a note from her hostess that a carriage would call for her and her luggage at a certain hour to take her to the ferry, where Mr. X—— would meet and take charge of her. At the ferry she found the entire house party, including matrons with their husbands, young men and maidens, assembled to be looked after by Mr. X——. The valet checked their luggage, and in each instance a round-trip ticket was returned with the checks. At the house, in each room the writing-desk was supplied not only with an ample stock of letter-paper, engraved with the estate name, but also with a box filled with postage stamps of various denominations, including special-delivery ones. A long-distance telephone, connecting with, among other places, the station telegraph office, made it possible to talk or wire all over the country and quite impossible to pay for the service. On the little guest card in each room, which gave the hours of meals and the schedule of mails and trains, was a little notice: "Visitors are kindly requested not to fee the servants." Finally, to cap the climax, on Sunday morning a maid brought to the young woman's door, on a tray which was loaded with similar missives, a small envelope which she proffered with the simple message: "For the church box." It contained money for the offertory plate and one of these envelopes was left with each guest.

NICARAGUA CANAL BILL.

A Numerously Signed Petition for Early Action on the Measure.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The friends of the Nicaragua canal bill propose that it shall not slumber indefinitely upon the house calendar. A petition addressed to the speaker asking that a day be set aside for its consideration is in circulation by Mr. Doolittle of Washington, and has already received the signatures of more than 200 republican and fifty democratic members of the house. Mr. Mahon of Pennsylvania, who is a member of the sub-committee that drafted the measure, predicts that if it is called up it will have a practically unanimous vote in its favor. The argument used by the supporters of the measure is that it does not call on the government for an appropriation, but simply requires the government's guarantee of the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds. The government, on the other hand, is amply protected from loss by a payment into the treasury of stock equalling the amount of bonds guaranteed and, in addition, is to be given a mortgage on the plant as the work progresses.

Princeton Football Team Finances.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 17.—The following statement regarding the financial status of the Princeton football team, covering the period from Sept. 1 to Dec. 12, has been given out for publication by James Elliot, general athletic treasurer: Receipts from games, etc., $31,757.74; expenses, to guarantees, traveling, training, athletic supplies, etc., $17,048.02; balance, $14,709.72.

Bell Telephone Dividend.

Boston, Dec 17.—The directors of the American Bell Telephone company have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. and an extra dividend of 1½ per cent.

Death of Dr. Selden W. Jones.

Leavenworth, Kan., Dec. 17.—Dr. Selden W. Jones, one of the oldest practicing physicians in Kansas, died yesterday of pneumonia. Dr. Jones was a native of Boston.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Spot market weak and dull. Dec., 88c.; May, 86¾c.

Corn—Spot is easier and dull. Dec., 29c.; May, 31¾c.

Oats—Market is dull, but steady. Dec., 22¼c.; May, 24½c.

Lard—Market quiet; small demand. Prime western, $4 15.

Pork—Prices inactive; slow demand. Extra prime, nominal; short clear, $9.00@10.50; mess $8.25@8.75; family, $10.00@10.75

Eggs—Market quiet and firmer State and Pennsylvania fresh, 20@22c.; ice house, 15@17c.; western, fresh, 20@21c.; limed, 15@16; southern, 17½@18.

Butter—Moderate demand; steady. Creamery western extras, 23c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 19@23½c.; creamery, western seconds, 18c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 13c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 19½@20c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 11@17c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 8½@11c.

Cheese—Fair movement. State, full cream, large size, fall made, colored, 10½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3½@7c

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Orange County Clerk's Office, Goshen, N. Y., Dec. 9, 1896

Notice is hereby given that a panel of Grand and Petit Jurors, to serve at a Trial Term of the Supreme Court, to be held in and for the county of Orange, at the Court House, in Goshen, on the first Monday of January, 1897, will be drawn at this office, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1896, at 9 o'clock a. m.

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IN pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Orange notice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of William H. Woodruff, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the administratrix and administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the residence of the administratrix, Antionette A. Woodruff, in the town of Crawford, aforesaid, in the place of transacting business of said estate on or before the 15th day of June, 1897.

Dated December 10th, 1896.

ANTOINETTE A. WOODRUFF, administratrix. RICHARD A. WOODRUFF, administrator.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, attorney for administrators Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. d Thur, to Jun17

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IN Pursuance of an order of Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, N. Y., on the 15th day of November, 1896, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against James E. Bruzee, lately doing business in the city of Middletown, N. Y., that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, duly verified, to the subscriber, who has been duly appointed assignee of the said James E. Bruzee for the benefit of creditors, at his office, Empire Block, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the sixth day of February, 1897.

A. VANNEST POWELSON, Assignee, Middletown, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Attorney for Assignee, Middletown, N. Y. dMo7tJan4

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The great remedy for nervous prostration and all nervous diseases of the generative organs of either sex, such as Nervous Prostration, Failing or Lost Manhood, Impotency, Nightly Emissions, Youthful Errors, Mental Worry, excessive use of Tobacco or Opium, which lead to Consumption and Insanity. With every $5 order we give a written guarantee to cure or refund the money. Sold at $1.00 per box, 6 boxes for $5.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Everybody Needs Something We will make a

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In time to benefit everyone wishing to purchase some USEFUL PRESENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS If you are in need of anything in

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Corner North and West Main Streets.

SNOW, BEAUTIFUL SNOW!

And a beautiful Grain Leather Dress Suit Case, 22 inch, for $2.25; 24 inch for $2.50 can be found at MATTHEWS & CO.'S. This is a snap of all snaps, besides they have the grandest collection of Bags in all Middletown at the

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

DAILY ARGUS.

C. MACARDELL, JR., PUBLISHER.

GEORGE H. THOMPSON, J. F. ROBINSON, A. E. NICKINSON. - - - } EDITOR. CITY EDITORS.

THURSDAY, DEC. 17, 1896.

The New York Police Board, yesterday, dismissed the charges against Patrolman Charles Becker, accused of falsely arresting Dora Clark, the young woman in whom Stephen Crane, the novelist, interested himself. The only evidence against the officer was given by Mr. Crane and the Police Commissioners seem to have reached the conclusion that he has dealt so much with fiction that he does not know where truth ends and fiction begins.

The Dingley bill was up in the Senate, yesterday, and it, or rather the political situation, was debated a length. Democrats and free silver Republicans taunted the Republicans with their helplessness to pass a tariff bill or any other measure and it was finally definitely abandoned. In the course of debate Senator Teller, who ought to know, declared that the Republicans never intended to pass the Dingley bill and that it was introduced merely to fool the people into the belief that the Republican party really intended to provide for the treasury deficit.

Railroad earnings for November were $4,553,173 less than for the corresponding month in 1895. Only thirty-four roads showed an increase and the total decrease is the largest recorded in any month since the great railroad strike in July, 1894. Railroad earnings are regarded as the most reliable of business barometers, for when general trade is brisk and factories are busy money pours into the railroads' treasuries. The showing for November is a most disappointing one and makes it very plain that something more than a political victory is needed to lift the clouds that lower over the business situation.

PRISONERS AT THE BAR.

The County Court Still Working on the Criminal Calendar—A Batch of Newburgh Burglars—Chester Negroes Now on Trial for Burglary.

The County Court, at Goshen, is still engaged in the trial of criminal cases, but District Attorney Powelson says that he expects to get through with the criminal business of the term to-day. A very large number of cases have been disposed of and the result of the term of court will be to make a very considerable addition to Orange county's already large representation in the prisoners of the State.

Charles Stewart, of Newburgh, who was on trial for burglary yesterday afternoon, was found guilty and remanded for sentence.

His fate made such an impression on David Tremper, another Newburgh man, indicted for burglary in the third degree, in breaking into a freight car in that city and stealing three barrels of beer, that when arraigned for trial he withdrew his former plea of not guilty, and pleaded guilty. Remanded for sentence.

Henry O'Neil, indicted for the same offense, did not appear for trial, and his bail was forfeited.

Stephen Gregory, another Newburgher, indicted for burglary in the third degree, in entering and robbing a house in that city, pleaded guilty. He will be sentenced later, and will probably get a long term, for he is an old offender, having served several terms for burglary and larceny.

James Showers and William Seeley, colored men of Chester, are now being tried for burglary in the second degree. They are charged with having broken into the residence of Abner Stevens, between Chester and Warwick, and stealing a quantity of jewelry and some money.

RESULTS OF HOSPITAL SUNDAY.

Only Three Churches Ready to Announce the Amounts Collected—The Universalists the Most Liberal Givers

Last Sunday was Hospital Sunday in most of the churches of this city and collections were taken for the benefit of Thrall Hospital.

The churches that have reported their collections are. Universalist $11.82, Second Presbyterian $26; St. Paul's $18.27.

The treasurers of the First Presbyterian and First Congregational churches say that they are not yet ready to announce the amounts contributed, nor can any information be obtained concerning the North Street Congregational's collection.

Grace Church gave its Thanksgiving offertory, $25, to the hospital and therefore no collection for the hospital was taken, Sunday.

No hospital collection was taken in the First Baptist Church, Sunday, and its pastor says that he "is not sure that he will take one."

A "Birthday" Social.

The Junior C. E. Society of the Second Presbyterian church will give a "Birthday Social" in the lecture room of the church, to-night, at 8 o'clock. Don't forget it.

State and County Taxes.

City Clerk Hamilton has his warrant for the collection of State and county taxes and will begin to receive them at the corporation rooms, Monday, Dec. 21. His last day will be Monday, Jan. 25th.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SHAKEN BY EARTHQUAKES.

Two Severe Shocks Felt in Wales and Central and Southern England.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Two earthquake shocks were felt early this morning in Wales and the Midland and Southern counties of England. Houses were violently shaken, doors forced open and furniture overturned.

The first shock lasted thirty seconds and was followed by a rumbling sound. The second was shorter but more severe. People rushed out of their houses but nobody was hurt. The cathedral at Hereford was injured somewhat but no serious damage was done.

A woman in Hereford died of fright at the earthquake.

There was a distinct movement for fifteen seconds. At Ruthin and some other places the shocks were accompanied by thunder, lightning and hail. At Bridgeworth, the streets seemed afire for several seconds.

HERMANN, THE MAGICIAN, DEAD.

Death Came Without Warning While He Was on a Railroad Train.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ROCHESTER, Dec. 17.—Hermann, the magician, who gave a performance here, last night, died, this morning, at Great Valley, while en route for Bradford, Pa.

Hermann was perfectly well when he took the train here at 7:30. As the train approached Great Valley he suddenly expired. The car containing the body was switched off at Salamanca and medical aid was summoned, but nothing could be done.

THE REPUBLIC OF CUBA.

Senate's Committee on Foreign Affairs in Favor of Recognizing Cuban Independence.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—A prominent member of the Senate's Foreign Affairs Committee it says was polled, this forenoon, and will probably, to-morrow, order a favorable report on Cameron's resolution for the recognition of the Republic of Cuba and the offer of our good offices to close the war.

MRS. DRAYTON'S SECOND MARRIAGE

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 17—Mrs. Drayton, daughter of Mrs. William Astor and the divorced wife of J. Coleman Drayton, was married here, to-day, to George Haight, a whiskey merchant.

THE MIKADO.

Some Good Seats Still Unsold—Souvenirs to Be Presented—Sixty Voices in the Chorus.

While a great many seats have been marked from the charts for the performances of the Mikado, at the Casino, next Monday and Tuesday evenings, there are still several hundred good ones left and all who have failed to exchange their tickets should do so at once.

A feature of Monday evening's entertainment will be the presentation to every lady of a beautiful souvenir by Bartholomew, the well known florist, while on Tuesday evening Caterer Rowley will also present each lady in the audience with an appropriate souvenir.

The ushers and members of the orchestra will all be attired in Japanese costumes, and taken altogether the affair will be very Japanese.

The chorus will number from fifty to sixty voices, including some of the best musical talent in the city, while the cast has been selected from the best talent in Middletown.

Rehearsals will be held in the Casino, to-night and to-morrow afternoon and evening.

The following well known ladies and gentlemen comprise the chorus:

Mesdames B. B. Williams, E. E. Conkling, C. H. Emde, M. C. Ashley, A. E. Nickinson, L. G. Wilson, Frank O. Tomkins, A. W. Sweezy, J. E. Gibbs, J. D. Wood, Clarence H. Sweezy, W. W. Clark, S. D. Horton; Misses Ethel Davis, Hattie Bryant, Katherine Iseman, Nellie Lyon, Sadie Slifer, Catherine Campbell, Helen Bicknell, Louisa Storch, Jennie Ogden, Clarabel Gardner, Mary Skinner, Myra Mapes, Theresa Wisner, Margaret Mills; Messrs. Z. K. Greene, T. Ed. Hayes, H. M. Hayes, A. H. Wisner, Dr. W. E. Douglas, C. O. Brinkerhoff, P. G. Whitlock, G. B. Frint, Dr. A. W. Sweezy, A. L. Decker, J. E. Decker, J. F. Korn, C. H. Emde, S. D. Horton, C. H. Fuller, C. A. Adams, R. F. Platt, W. F. Bailey, Frank Harding, E. E. Conkling, W. W. Woodhead, C. H. Sweezy.

The members of the cast are:

A. E. Nickinson, C. T. Payne, C. A. Whitney, D. D. E. Eilenberger, W. N. Knapp, Misses Anna L. Howland, Carrie Howland, L. Claribel Pillsbury, Mrs. S. T. Clineman, Mrs. D. H. Arthur.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Of the Ladies' Guild of the First Congregational Church.

An adjourned meeting of the Ladies' Guild of the First Congregational Church was held in the chapel, last evening, after prayer meeting. The report of the nominating committee was received and the following officers elected for the ensuing year:

Secretary—Mrs. J. Chas. Schwartz.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Chas. W. Lyon.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. A. Robinson.
Assistant Treasurer—Mrs. A. R. Billings.

The election of President and Vice President was deferred until Saturday.

IT CAN'T BE DONE.

No One Can Remain Well, No Chronic Disease Can Be Cured Unless the Stomach is First Made Strong and Vigorous.

This is plain because every organ in the body depends on the stomach for its nourishment. Nerve, bone, sinew, blood are made from the food which the stomach converts to our use.

How useless to treat disease with this, that and the other remedy and neglect the most important of all, the stomach.

The earliest symptoms of indigestion are sour risings, bad taste in the mouth, gas in stomach and bowels, palpitation, all-gone feeling, faintness, headaches, constipation; later comes loss of flesh, consumption, liver and heart troubles, kidney diseases, nervous prostration, all of which are the indirect result of poor nutrition.

Any person suffering from indigestion should make it a practice to take after each meal one of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, allowing it to dissolve in the mouth and thus mingle with the saliva and enter the stomach in the most natural way. These Tablets are highly recommended by Dr. Jennison because they are composed of the natural digestive acids and fruit essence which assist the stomach in digesting all wholesome food before it has time to ferment and sour.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold by druggists, full sized packages at 50 cents. They are also excellent for invalids and children. A book on stomach diseases and thousands of testimonials of genuine cures sent free by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

THE CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY.

Officers Elected at the Annual Meeting—A Very Successful Year.

At the annual meeting of the Middletown Co-operative Company, the following officers were elected:

President—C. H. Van Schaick.
Vice-Pres.—J. H. Harding.
Secretary—A. B. Hutchinson.
Treasurer—W. S. Sinsabaugh.
Directors—James Ural, E. S. Van Keuren, W. H. Thorn, Henry Gerhardt, C. H. Allison.

The earnings for the quarter pay the usual interest on stock and 7 per cent. on trade.

The year closes in a most flourishing and prosperous condition, and has been marked as one of the most successful in the company's history.

O. and W.'s Christmas Excursion to New York.

On Monday, Dec. 21st, the O. and W. will sell excursion tickets to New York good on any train going during the day at $1.86 for round trip. Trains leave Middletown at 8:10 a. m., 4:30 and 8:10 p. m. Tickets will be good for return passage on any train or day up to and including Dec. 26th. The O. and W. desires to accommodate the public and give you a chance to spend Christmas with your city cousins. The Commercial Travelers' big fair will be in full blast next week at Madison Square Garden and the O. and W. excursion will give you a chance to take in all the sights of the metropolis. 17d4t.

A Ladies' Whist Party.

Miss Mattie Gordon, of No. 12 Broad street, is entertaining a large party of friends at whist, this afternoon.

Women

Who are nervous, weak, worn out with local troubles find pure blood, nerve strength, and perfect health in Hood's Sarsaparilla.

We do not say the above to raise false hope. It has been the experience of many, very many women in those intensely trying periods which demand and consume so much

Nervous

force — those special physical trials we delicately indicate by merely using the words — Maid, Mother, Matron.

Like a confidential friend we suggest the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla, a reliable blood purifier and tonic; it has helped many others and will help you.

"I was in poor health five years, broken down in strength, and appetite all gone. Local troubles and other weaknesses intensified my misery. Nervous sick

Headaches

dizziness, heartburn and pains in my back made me think I should never be well again. A friend prevailed upon me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I soon began to improve and in six months it restored me to better health than for years. I have found Hood's Sarsaparilla a grand medicine for all troubles peculiar to

My Sex

I am now strong and healthy and can do a good day's work. I stand by Hood's Sarsaparilla, for it cured me after other medicines failed." MRS. LUE DIER, Carlinville, Illinois.

This and many similar cures prove that

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, carefully prepared. 25 cents.

CARSON & TOWNER.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

We are Showing a Very Attractive Line of HANDKERCHIEFS.

For Ladies' and Gent's in pure linen and silk from the lowest to the high priced kind. For Ladies'—Embroidered, scalloped and hemstiched at 5c, 12½c, 15c, 20c, 25c and up. Duchess Lace $1.75 to $5. For Gent's—Hemmed, hemstitched and fancy all linen at 10c, 12½c, 15c, 20c, 25c and up. Silk handkerchiefs, initial and plain, 50c, 75c and $1. Ladies' and Gent's umbrellas at special prices.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

THERE IS A SURPRISE IN STORE.

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Have the Call from This Date to Jan. 1st.

—We have a great display of Novelties in silver, celluloid, gold, aluminum, etc.

—Prices from 10c to $1; such prices as only the present "honest dollar" could produce.

—We have prepared a line of Dress Goods, for children's wear, at special reductions for the holiday season only.

—See our window.

—We have the Handkerchief stock of the season. Come and see it.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,

No. 39 North Street.

ANYTHING WANTED ?

We have nice Cauliflower, Golden Wax Beans, Parsnips, Carrots, Lettuce and Celery, Red and White Cabbage, Red and White Onions, all kinds of Canned Vegetables and Fruits. Farinaceous goods of every kind, choice Preserves and Jams. Everything in the grocery line at

BROSS & MUNDY,

TELEPHONE 39—19. 42 NORTH ST.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,

No. 25 North Street.

We are showing the largest assortment of Holiday Goods shown in the city, consisting of

NECKWEAR,
GLOVES,
UMBRELLAS,
SUSPENDERS,
HANDKERCHIEFS,
COLLARS,
CUFFS,
SMOKING JACKETS

at prices that will astonish you. Give us a call.

SAMUEL LIPFELD

25 North St

SPECIAL SALE

OF

COATS AND CAPES

This Week!

A very attractive stock in all the fashionable shapes of the season in Boucle, Astrakhan, Plush and Kersey. We have made extraordinary preparations and are in position to deliver from stock all sizes and at most attractive prices.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Christmas Cards, Poems and Books of the best authors, Toy Books of all sizes and prices, White Metal and Celluloid Goods Picture Frames and Ink Stands, Photograph Albums and a large variety of other goods. Call early.

S. W. MILLSPAUGH & CO.,

20 NORTH STREET.

I sell dry wood, always kept under shelter. You can be sure of a dry article at

E. H. GREGORY'S.

Telephonecall 129.

Grain, Flour, Feed
Baled Hay and Straw.

C. J. EVERSON,

Nos. 4 and 6 King Street.

FOR SALE.

The fine residence, known as the late John Corcoran's, No. 135 West Main street. House contains 10 rooms, steam heat, gas, and all modern improvements; lot about 54x150. This is to close an estate and is a fine opportunity for a bargain

GARDNER & M'WILLIAMS. NO. 25 NORTH

HANFORD & HORTON.

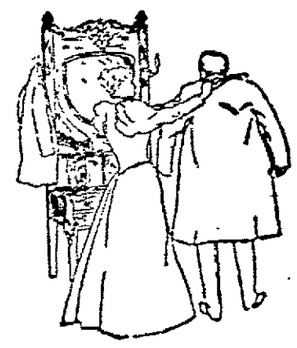
CHRISTMAS HERE NEXT WEEK.

Full Stock of These Goods Here Now Ready to Be Presented.

Books,
Photograph Albums,
Teachers' Bibles,
Pocketbooks and Purses,
Card Cases, with gold and silver mountings,
Gold Pens and Pencils,
Writing Tablets,
Prayers and Hymnals,
Hand Glasses,
Cameras and Pocket Kodaks,
Medallions,
Calendars for 1897,
Music Rolls,
Fountain Pens,
Dictionary Holders,
Fancy Boxes of Paper,
Collar and Cuff Boxes,
Framed Pictures,
Toilet Sets, leather and celluloid,
Inkstands,
Diaries for 1897,
Christmas Booklets and Cards,
Games,
Building Blocks.

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.



YOU WEAR!

A coat principally for warmth, for protection against cold, don't you?

If you want a coat for comfort and one that will wear well you should see the new lot of ulsters we are offering $5, $6, $8, $10, $12, $15, $18 and $20.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

Useful Holiday Presents

MEN'S SLIPPERS AT 50, 65, 75c A PAIR AND UP.

"The Hub" Shoe Store,

13 West Main Street.

Our Men's Patent Leather Shoes at $3 and $3.50 a pair are as good as any at $4 and $5 Rubber Boots, Felt Boots and all kinds of Overshoes at very low prices.

POTTED HAM or TONGUE!

Unusually cheap, 5 and 10 cents; former price 15 and 25 cents.

B. F. TODD,

121 North St., Middletown

YOUR GAIN. OUR LOSS.

You know, we know that the weather has been unseasonable, and we are heavily stocked with Clothing, Underwear, Gloves, etc. saleable for cold weather. We have made a price on them that will sell them quick.

Men's Black Frieze Ulsters $6.
Men's Ulsters $3 and up.
Men's Kersey Overcoats $4.50.
Men's All Wool Kersey Overcoats $6.
Men's All Wool Black Suits $5.
Men's All Wool Clay Diagonal Suits $7.50

Morris B. Wolf,

Blue Front Store,

10 North [illegible]

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A cordial invitation is extended to all to call on us and spend a half hour in our new department. Our word for it, you will be pleased. Also we wish at this time to call attention to our Framing Department; we have about 100 styles of moulding, and with Mr. Augustus Eith to do the work we claim to be headquarters in this line.

Call and see us. A nice Picture makes an elegant Christmas present. Respectfully,

C. E. Crawford Furniture Co.

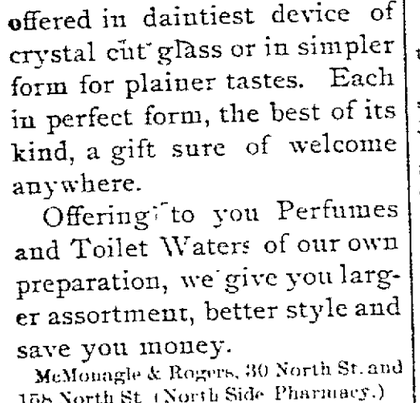
44-46 North Street, Middletown.

Summer Fragrance at Christmas Time!

That's a pretty thought for a gift! Exquisite Perfume of Roses, Violets, Jasmine, Arbutus, Heliotrope and many other buds and blossoms prepared, developed and blended in our own laboratory, now offered in daintiest device of crystal cut glass or in simpler form for plainer tastes. Each in perfect form, the best of its kind, a gift sure of welcome anywhere.

Offering to you Perfumes and Toilet Waters of our own preparation, we give you larger assortment, better style and save you money.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 158 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)



If careful selections of the newest and best novelties in Christmas gifts, and a uniform scale of low prices will be an inducement to holiday shoppers, then one and all should pay us a visit before they buy. We have taken great pains to provide desirable selections for all kinds of people and have been equally careful to make the prices right.

7 West Main Street, Middletown.

Fancher's

DAILY ARGUS.

THURSDAY, DEC. 17, 1896.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Fair, probably followed by cloudy and threatening weather Friday afternoon; warmer, Friday; northerly winds shifting to southeasterly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **24°**; 12 m., **36°**; 3 p. m., **39°**.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Presents for the old and the young at Weller & Demerest's.
—Prices reduced on dolls, vases, handkerchiefs, etc., at Economy Store.
—Correct styles of slippers at J. G. Harding's.
—Holiday gifts at Budwig & Co.'s.
—Everything in the clothing line at Chas. Wolff's Sons.
—See Sagendorf's card.
—Household goods at auction Saturday.
—Properties for sale by Elmer Pitts
—See adv. Middletown Business College.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Beefsteak is being retailed in Downeville for ten cents a pound.

—Masquerade ball of White Eagle, Council, Daughters of Pocohontas, at the Assembly Rooms, to-night.

—The Women's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will meet to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at Mrs. George Smith's, 49 John street.

—"Hilarity" is a screaming farce and an enjoyable entertainment. To be presented here, Saturday evening, by Chas. A. Loder and an excellent company.

—Chas. A. Loder is an artist of genuine merit; as Herman Balmer in "Hilarity" he is a genius and no mistake. At the Casino, Saturday evening.

—Mrs. Lizzie Mead, of Monticello, has been granted letters of administration on the estate of her husband, the late Theodore D. Mead.

—Each of the tiles on the roof of the Erie depot weighs five pounds. The roof when completed will be a very heavy one.

—At a congregational meeting of the Port Jervis Baptist Church, last night, the resignation of Rev. S. Washington was accepted.

—The party who took the wrong hat and overcoat from the cloak room at the ball, last night, is known and will save himself trouble by returning the property to the O. and W. baggage room at Wickham avenue, not latter than to-morrow morning.

—The young people of the Universalist Church will spend a social evening with their pastor, at No. 92 Academy avenue, this evening, to organize a Young People's Christian Union. All the young people connected with the church and congregation are earnestly invited to be present.

PERSONAL.

—William Stafford, of New York, is in town visiting relatives and friends.

—Miss Lillian Vetter, of this city, is spending a week with friends in Wawayanda.

—Mrs. G. M. Roe and her daughter, Sadie, of Chester, have removed to Middletown, where they will make their home.—*Warwick Dispatch.*

A NEW TRIAL GRANTED.

A Suit for the Alienation of a Husband's Affections to Be Tried Again.

After two re-arguments the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court has decided the long-standing appeal in the case of Frances J. Romaine, of Port Jervis, against Annie Decker, of Newburgh. The suit was brought to recover damages for the alienation of the affections of plaintiff's husband, Charles Romaine, a well known Erie engineer. The case was originally tried before Justice Brown and a jury and a nonsuit was granted, the court holding that it was not clear whether Mrs. Decker had alienated Romaine's affections or Romaine had alienated hers. The case will probably be retried at the January term of the Supreme Court in Goshen.

THE POST OFFICE DOG MISSING

Employes Think "Nig" Is Held for Ransom Because of His Beauty.

"Nig," the post office dog, has been missing since Tuesday noon, and his absence is greatly deplored. The dog wore a silver-plated collar, attached to which was a gold-plated lock. The post office authorities are sure "Nig" is not now given his liberty, or he would return of his own accord, and request those having the animal in charge to either return him or call at the post office and procure the key to his lock.

An Erie Flagman Loses Both Arms.

Edward Sharp, flagman on a pusher engine on the Erie, was knocked down by his engine in the Port Jervis yard, yesterday. He fell with both arms across the rails and the wheels of the tender passed over them. He was taken to the hospital where it was found necessary to amputate the right arm at the elbow and the left hand at the wrist.

Cottage Prayer Meetings.

The cottage prayer meetings will be held on Friday evening, under the auspices of the First Congregational Church, as follows: James Crawford, 111 Wickham avenue; E. A. Tice, 14 Knapp avenue; Deacon R. H. Ayres, 20 Washington street. The meetings will begin at 8 o'clock

PERCY MIDDLEBROOK'S DEATH.

Coroner Decker, After Investigation, Decides That an Inquest Is Unnecessary, and Grants a Burial Certificate—Death Due to Heart Disease, to Which Middlebrook Had Been Subject—What the Young Men Did on Their Fatal Ride—Frank Roe's Lapse of Memory.

Coroner Decker went to Florida, yesterday afternoon, to hold an inquest on the death of young Percy Middlebrook, who suddenly expired in a wagon, Tuesday night.

After making an investigation of the circumstances connected with the sad affair, the Coroner decided that an inquest was unnecessary, and upon the statement of Dr. Farries that death was due to heart disease, granted the usual burial certificate.

The death of young Middlebrook, in all its details, is one of the saddest occurrences that has taken place in that vicinity in many a day.

Frank Roe, the young man who with Patrick Powers accompanied Middlebrook on the fatal journey, is a medical graduate, who resides with his parents near Florida, on the Warwick road. He made a statement to Coroner Decker, in which he claimed that he could remember nothing of what transpired from the time the party first left Florida, at eight o'clock, Tuesday evening. From various sources it was learned that the three young men, after securing a pint of high test whiskey from a near-by distillery, drove to Mapes' Corners and Goshen, doubtless imbibing freely at the various stopping places, in addition to using the contents of the bottle which they had with them. They started to return to Florida, from Mapes' Corners, at eleven o'clock. At that time young Middlebrook, though quite drunk, was apparently as well as ever, and backing the horse from underneath the shed, drove on with the party.

Young Powers, who resides near Chester, but could not be seen by the Coroner, has stated to other parties that at a point on the road between Mapes' Corners and Florida young Middlebrook, who was driving, fell from his seat to the ground, and that he picked him up, and placing him back upon the seat, took the reins in his own hands and drove on to Florida, supposing Middlebrook's condition to be due to the liquor that he had drank.

After reaching Florida, Powers started to drive to Roe's home, when Irving Mott, who is employed by Middlebrook's father, was seen driving toward home. Young Roe then took a seat in the wagon with Mott, who turned around and drove him to his (Roe's) home, where he alighted and went into the house without difficulty. The two wagons then drove back toward Middlebrook's home, but at a point in the highway where Powers was about to alight from the wagon and return to his home, leaving Mott to take Middlebrook home, Mott persuaded Powers to accompany him to the Middlebrook homestead and help care for the young man, who was thought to be in a drunken stupor.

Powers and Mott drove into the barn, and after caring for the horse, attempted to arouse Middlebrook, who was still sitting on the seat, with his head thrown back. Failing in their attempts, they held a lantern to his face, and were horrified to discover indications that life was extinct.

William H. Hoffman, Middlebrook's uncle, then appeared on the scene, and declaring that his nephew was dead, hastily summoned Dr. Farries, who upon examination said the unfortunate young man had been dead at least half an hour.

Young Middlebrook was subject to heart trouble, and it is believed that the whiskey he drank caused a recurrence of the difficulty, producing instant death.

The conduct of young Roe, in claiming that he is unable to recall any of the occurrences of the night is strange, to say the least, as he was apparently not very drunk when he reached home.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Middlebrook, who were at Elizabeth, N. J., learned of their son's sad death by telegraph, yesterday morning, and reached home yesterday afternoon. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been completed.

Sullivan County Agricultural Society Election.

The Sullivan County Agricultural Society held its election in Monticello Saturday, and the following officers were chosen:

President—P. R. Pelton.
Vice President—W. J. Kinne
Secretary—Roscoe Decker.
Treasurer—S. L. Strong.
Trustees—T. A. Niven, I. Stoath.

The Treasurer's report showed that the receipts were $3,224.24, and the expenditures, including $1,276.25 for premiums, were $3,154.58.

Wedding Invitations Out.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Davenport have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Grace Brownson, to Ellwood Judson Dixon, at their home, 11 Hoffman street, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 30, at 4 o'clock.

Population of the State Hospital.

According to the *Conglomerate* there were, Tuesday, 1,181 patients in the State Hospital for the Insane, in this city, of whom 585 were males and 596 were females. During the week eight patients were admitted and four discharged.

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SET FIRE TO HIS HOUSE.

Dr. Danforth, a Former Patient in the Middletown State Hospital, Tries to "Work Out His Own Salvation."

Floyd Lemott Danforth, a dentist, who was a long time a patient in the Middletown State Hospital and who became well known in this city as a fine singer, was sent, yesterday, to Bellevue Hospital in New York for examination as to his sanity.

Dr. Danforth was discharged from the State Hospital over a year ago. He returned to New York and for a time did well, but resumed the use of chloral and morphine, which were the cause of his undoing, and in September last his wife and daughter had to leave him.

About 4:30 o'clock, yesterday morning, he piled his clothing and furniture in the center of the rooms he occupied at 7 East 125th street and set fire to the pile. Then he hurried out into the street bare-headed and without an overcoat, although snow was falling heavily. Meeting a policeman he told him to wait and he would see some fun and when the officer told him to go home or he'd catch cold in that rig, he answered:

"Not on your life. I just set fire to the house and it will be too hot for comfort pretty soon."

Just then the policeman saw smoke issuing from Danforth's rooms and rushing in found the furniture ablaze.

He managed to extinguish the fire after a few minutes' work, while Danforth stood by laughing.

Danforth was very indignant when arrested and when arraigned in police court said: "I was trying to work out my own salvation. You know a man has to."

Danforth is evidently insane and his brother said that he would again be sent to an asylum.

A CRUSADE SOCIABLE.

Held by the W. C. T. U.—An Interesting Programme.

The crusade sociable at Mrs. Charles Hill's, on Liberty street, Tuesday evening, was a success in every way. The house was filled with earnest temperance workers. The programme arranged by the National Union was carried out and was as follows:

Repeating the Lord's Prayer.
Reading of Psalm 72. Mrs. Mary F. Groo
Reading—"History of the crusade begun at Fredonia, N. Y., Dec. 15th 1873." Mrs. J. C. Miller
Paper—"The Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union and its growth since organized and named at Fredonia, N. Y., Dec 21st, 1873." Mrs. Frank E. Burr.
Paper—"The Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union and its Progress" Mrs. John J. Chambers.
Reading of Crusade Poem Mrs. Harriet E. Clark.
Exercises by Royal Temperance Legion
Readings
Graduate of the Class of '91 and three Winters, Bernice Wood, Margaret Burt and Leonard Pierce.
Recitations Nellie Arkills and Bessie Dunlap
Aaronic Benediction

The exercises were interspersed with music both vocal and instrumental.

GEORGE LEA'S BOARD JUMPERS.

Settled Their Bills and All Expenses and Were Released—To Pay Elinor Vann's Bill by Monday.

Capt. Gould returned from Binghamton, last night, having made a satisfactory settlement with Geo. Lea's board jumpers.

The young men paid Mr. Lea's claim and all expenses. Young Vann telegraphed to a wealthy relative in Jersey City, for $50 and the obliging relative sent the sum at once. The tail young woman arrived in Binghamton, last night, but the captain had no warrant for her arrest. The young men promised to remit her bill before next Monday.

MIDDLETOWN BUSINESS COLLEGE

Twenty-two Names on the Roster of the Day School.

The Middletown Business College was opened at the beginning of the present year, and now has twenty-two in actual attendance in the day school, besides the evening class.

The following persons are in attendance at the day school this week.

Miss Maggie E. Hobbs, Middletown
Miss Lilian Gibbs, Middletown.
Charles L. Purdy, Middletown.
Howard H. O'Neal, Middletown.
Miss Minnie E. Beatty, Middletown.
Miss Louise Mosher, Middletown
William C. Dohm, Middletown.
Harry Quick, Middletown.
William J. McEwan, Middletown
Merritt L. Beers, Middletown.
William H. Faull, Middletown
Harry Van Schaick, Middletown
T. Osborn Harding, Montgomery, N. Y.
Daniel Sayer, Chester, N. Y.
Miss Emma M. Knapp, Goshen, N. Y
William Jamieson, Sidney, N. Y.
Eugene Van Benschoten, Crystal Run, N. Y.
Miss Susie Crist, Burnside, N. Y.
Miss Belle Sprague, Roscoe, N. Y.
W. E. Hultslander, Wurtsboro, N. Y.
John J. Dwyer, Goshen, N. Y.
Miss Minnie Carey, High Lake, Pa.

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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

The Masquerade To-night—Called Away by His Mother's Death—A Member of the New York Police Force—The Holiday Vacation—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The masquerade of the Separate Social Club occurs at Music Hall, to-night. A large party of Middletowners have signified their intention of attending. A special trolley car will leave in the early gloaming, to-morrow a. m., to take them home. Guests are also expected from various other out of town points.

—Interesting and appropriate Christmas exercises will be given in the Methodist Church, next Sunday evening, by the choir and Sunday School.

—Elliot Hook and Ladder Co's reception, to-morrow night, in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the company, will be an event of no little interest.

—S. S. Merritt was called to Dover, N. J., this morning, by the death of his mother, which occurred last night.

—The reservoir commission will meet again to-morrow.

—John B. Gregory, a resident of this town, has been appointed to a position of the New York police force.

—School will close on the 24th inst. for the holiday vacation and re-open on Monday, Jan. 4.

A VERY EASY MARK.

Eagles' Bowling Team Defeated in Two Straight Games at Goshen.

The crack team of bowlers of Eagle Hose Company visited Goshen, last night, to bowl a return match with the Goshen Social and Athletic Association, whom they defeated easily in this city a short time ago.

The Middletown men were just as easy victims for the Goshenites on their own alleys and but two games were necessary to decide the match. The following are the scores:

GOSHENS.

	First	Second.
Howell	154	185
Altman	164	160
Kipp	155	127
Parker	156	140
Goodale	160	157
Totals	789	769

EAGLES.

Smith	119	125
Wengmoth	153	160
Stevens	162	144
Hoffman	124	135
Ritter	167	167
Totals	725	781

THE TROLLEY EXPRESS LINE.

Milk Shipments from Howell's Condensery to Be Begun To-night—Goshen Butchers to Get Their Meat Supplies by the New Line.

There are indications that the business of the National Express Company will soon be quite extensive over the electric road, between here and Goshen. It is expected that the shipment of milk to New York from Howell's condensery will begin, to-night, via the trolley and this city. Several Goshen butchers, who receive meat from Passaic and Paterson, have signified their intention of having their meat forwarded by the National over the Susquehanna to this city and via trolley to Goshen.

In the proposed shipment of milk from Goshen by the trolley line and Susquehanna it is claimed that great advantage will be derived by the shippers in reaching Yonkers and other points controlled by the National, without the necessity of passing over two express lines.

The new compartment car which the Traction Company is preparing for the express business, it is expected, will be ready to run on Saturday.

It will be so arranged that it can be used for passenger traffic when not needed for express business.

Erie's Holiday Excursion Rate to New York.

On Monday, Dec. 21st, the Erie will sell excursion tickets to New York good on any train going Dec. 21st and returning on any train except No. 5 on or before Dec. 22d, at rate of $1.86 for the round trip. Best train service and fastest time. 16d5t

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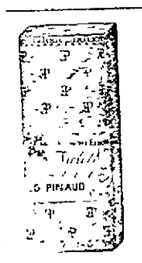

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THE DEAD MAN'S MINE.

Two Utah Convicts Expect to Locate It Sometime.

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In cells of the Utah penitentiary two men sit and think of the opening of another Monte Cristo when their terms expire. The men are known as Matt Warner, alias Ras Lewis, alias Ras Christiansen, and William Wall. A charge of manslaughter was proved against the two convicts and they were ordered imprisoned for a term of five years.

Nearly a half century ago, according to Utah legends, a great gold field was discovered in one of the hidden canyons of the Uintah mountains. The claim was operated for one week, and by order of Brigham Young the owner left the mine, which he never again beheld. Early in the fifties, so goes the story, one Thomas Knowles, an old California miner, came to the city of Salt Lake. He called upon President Young, who then acted as governor of the State of Deseret. The Mormon received Knowles in a very hospitable manner, and before the interview ended a bargain was made by which the miner was to deliver his weight in gold to the Mormon president within three weeks from that date.

On a bright June morning old man Knowles and his son, a 14-year-old boy, started from the Mormon city for the deep canyons of the snow-crowned Uintah mountains. Man and boy, accompanied by a train of burros or little pack mules, traveled for five days to the southeast and camped at night on the banks of a small rippling mountain stream. When daylight dawned they discovered in the water at their feet large nuggets of shining gold. They soon con-

ATTACKED BY INDIANS.

structed some sluice boxes from the mountain pines and began the work of washing gold from the sand. In less than a week the man and the boy returned without their pack mules which had been stolen by the Indians, but with two sacks, weighing 65 pounds, filled with native gold.

The gold treasure was delivered to Young, according to contract, and Knowles was made to swear that he would never again enter the canyon except with the consent of the governor. Years passed, and Knowles died without revisiting his rich deposit of precious metal. When Brigham Young passed away young Knowles, feeling no further restraint, decided to find the golden canyon. Accompanied by a young man named Enoch Davis, he started for the place where he had beheld the glittering nuggets. They camped beside the old sluices, and began making preparations for taking out the gold. A band of Indians, seeing their territory being encroached on, fired into the camp and killed young Knowles. Davis escaped.

In a few months after making the first attempt Davis tried, with the aid of a map, to locate the precious canyon. All efforts proved futile, as the Indians drove white men away from the treasure field. At last Davis removed with his family to Vernal and worked at the trade of a blacksmith, thinking that some day the Indians would be compelled to surrender their claim on the mountains, and he could then locate the gold placers. Years passed away, and Davis became a drunkard, and abused his wife and family. In one of his drunken brawls he murdered his wife and cast her body into a potato pit. A trial ensued, and Davis was convicted and sentenced to be shot.

While the doomed man was lying in a cell awaiting the executioner, he determined to unfold the mystery of the Knowles mine. The old map was produced, and the prisoner related the history of the rich placer fields. His life was spared for a season, while prospectors were sent into the mountains to follow his directions and discover the golden treasure. After many weeks of diligent search the miners returned with a sack of ore, which upon being assayed showed only a trace of gold. The search was given up, and the prisoner was speedily executed. An artist friend received the sketch of the mine and for a time all thought of wealth in the Uintah mountains seemed to be banished.

As the snows of spring melted away and made the high canyons accessible, some daring prospectors attempted to enter the forbidden gorge to locate the Knowles mine. Two companies pitched tents near the supposed spot. An unpleasantness was created by the factions failing to agree on the division of the property. The desperadoes imprisoned in the Utah penitentiary, according to the evidence produced in court, were employed to assist in ousting one camp of prospectors from the canyon. A morning attack resulted in a pitched battle, which ended in the killing of two and the wounding of another.

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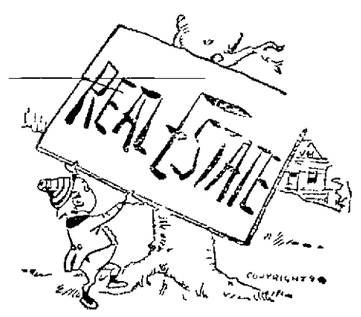

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WILLIAM L. SCRUGGS

selves thrown out of office by changes in administration.

Mr. Scruggs, says Leslie's Weekly, is a native of Tennessee, but has lived for many years in Atlanta, where he has a handsome home and an interesting family. He began his career in the foreign service in 1873, when he was appointed minister to Colombia. In 1878 he went to China as consul, first at Chin-Kiang and then at Canton. He was tendered the office of consul-general at Panama in 1882, but declined, and was soon afterward made minister to the United States of Colombia the second time. President Harrison sent him as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Venezuela in 1889, and he held that post until his successor was appointed by President Cleveland.

When the Venezuelan commission was constituted, Mr. Scruggs' familiarity with the boundary dispute and Venezuelan affairs generally caused him to be selected by that republic as its attorney before the commission, in which capacity he has made important contributions to the literature of the international cause celebre.

BRIGHT GIRL LAWYER.

Recently-Elected Attorney for Brown County, Northwestern Nebraska.

Miss Estelle Mae Davisson, of Chadron, Neb., who was recently elected to the office of county attorney at Brown county, Neb., is one of the best and one of the brightest lawyers in northwestern Nebraska. One of the surprises in the political kaleidoscope of the counties in this section of the state was the election of a populist over the republicans. Brown county's normal republican majority has been about 300. But this year the fair candidate for county attorney was elected without an effort, although pitted against a strong and popular

MISS ESTELLE MAE DAVISSON

gentleman on the republican side. Miss Davisson is a native of Iowa and has not yet reached the age of 23. She imbibed her first notions of law on her father's knee. Miss Davisson is an able lawyer and a graduate of Michigan university. She attended the public schools of Sibley, Ia. In 1886 she came to Long Pine, Neb., her present home, and finished her secular education in the high school. In 1894 she entered the law department of the state university at Lincoln, and two years later came out of it a full-fledged lawyer. She was nominated as a fusion candidate and won easily. Miss Davisson is the only woman in Nebraska, perhaps in the country, that has been elected to the position of county attorney.

Treatment of Lightning Stroke.

Prof. Oliver Lodge writes to warn the public against the notion that a lightning stroke is necessarily fatal. It stops the vital organs, he tells us, but it rarely destroys them. If respiration can be artificially maintained for a sufficient time there is a fair chance that the heart will resume its suspended action, and that the stricken man will recover. The practical outcome of this is never to pronounce a lightning struck person dead until the well-known method of resuscitation from drowning has been practiced upon the apparent corpse for two or three hours. Experience has justified this teaching both in America and France, where it has been strenuously urged and practiced by Dr. d'Arsonval.

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In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the said County Court of the county of Orange, State of New York, to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. John J. Beattie, County Judge of said county, this 2d day of November, 1896.

[L. s.]

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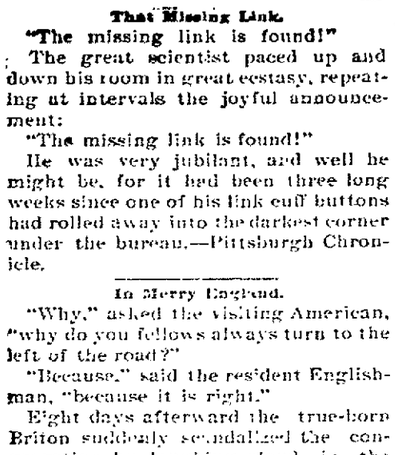
"Because," said the resident Englishman, "because it is right."

Eight days afterward the true-born Briton suddenly scandalized the congregation by laughing aloud in the midst of services. It had dawned on him that he had made a pun.—Indianapolis Journal.

A Long Vacation.

"How doth the little, busy bee
Improve each shining hour,
And gather honey all the day
From every opening flower!"
He does it, for the rascal knows
That when the fields are drear
He'll then put on his Sunday clothes
And loaf for half a year.
—L. A. W. Bulletin.

END OF THE HONEYMOON.



She—I'm sure you love me no longer. Now, do not deny it. I can see the change in you. I'm no fool. You should have married somebody stupider.

He—I couldn't find one.—Judy.

Too Poor.

They caught the fellow "dead to rights"
And hustled him to jail, alack!
He hadn't cash enough to prove
He was a kleptomaniac.
—Chicago Times-Herald.

Called No Names.

Officer—How is this, Murphy? The sergeant complains that you call him names.

Private Murphy—Plaz, sir, I never called him ony names at all. All I said was: "Sergeant," says I, "some of us ought to be in a menagerie."—N. Y. Tribune.

Taking a Chance.

He—I can endure this no longer, my dear; you must choose between Blokey and myself.

She—You are entirely mistaken, sir. I have a list of 16 from which to choose.

He—All right. Kindly let me know when the raffle comes off. — Detroit Free Press.

She Did the Rest.

"And you broke off the engagement?" said one young man.

"Yes—not brutally, you know. But I managed it."

"How?"

"Told her what my salary is."—Washington Star.

Just Hit It's Case.

Employer—I'm afraid I've nothing in the way of work to give you just now. The times are hard and there's little to do.

Tramp—That's just the kind of work I enjoy.—Yale Record.

Two Views.

She—Miss Highstep is my warmest friend.

He—Warmest? The rest of your friends must be frozen stiff, for she's cold enough to chill a refrigerator.—Detroit Free Press.

A Queer Duel.

Brown—I saw a novel sort of fight the other day. Two farmers who wanted to settle a difficulty were pelting each other with apples.

Jones—I see; a sort of cider-mill.—Town Topics.

Didn't Need It.

She—Once you vowed that I was the sunshine of your life. Now you stay out night after night.

He—Er—why—I don't expect sunshine after dark.—Indianapolis Journal.

A Bit of Fiction.

Professor—How do you think our government ought to be conducted?

Student—I haven't the least idea.

Professor (astonished)—Young man you are the eighth wonder of the world—N. Y. Truth.

No Doubt About It.

She—You are a man of the world, Mr. Kohlspring; what do you consider the most desperate form of gambling?

He — Getting married.—Buffalo Times.

Pleased with It.

"How did you like that little dog I gave your wife?"

"I never saw one that I liked better. It died the next day."—Bay City Chat.

Appropriate.

Life is short, in fact four letters,
And we plainly can descry,
"If" composes half of it, while
Full three-quarters is a "lie."
—Brooklyn Life.

Gone Into Bankruptcy.

"She says her face is her fortune."

"When did she make an assignment?"—Town Topics.

Poor Excuse for a Man.

He—May I kiss you for your mother?

She—Is that the best you can do?—Town Topics.

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14—W. Main Ave. cor. O. & W. R. R.
17—North street cor. [illegible] shops.
16—North St. cor. [illegible] shops.
17—Railroad [illegible] Main street.
18—Grand [illegible]
21—Water [illegible] Depot.
22—West Main street [illegible] Depot.
25—North [illegible] Depot.
26—James [illegible]
27—North [illegible] crossing
28—Lake [illegible] Depot.
29—Water [illegible] Depot avenue
211—State [illegible] to Get
213—[illegible] and [illegible] Depot avenue
217—Post [illegible] Hospital
34—Union and Mill street [illegible] hop shop
35—Depot and Hartford streets
36—[illegible] street, condensery
37—Main [illegible] and Fulton streets
38—Between avenue and South street
41—Fancher street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Roseboom avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
44—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square
21—Rang before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.
1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock fire.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

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The Fact That Doctors

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NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	Miles	1 Daily ex Sun	3 Sub-ban Exp	5 Mixed ago. Exp	Lmt
N. Y. Leave		A M	P M	P M	M
Franklin St	0	9 2	3 0	4 1	
W. 42d St.	2	9 5	3 15	4 20	
Weehawken	4	9 10	3 25	4 25	
Cornwall	60	10 9 45	5	6 0	
W. Cornwall	62	10 10	5 08		
Orr's Mill	65	10 15	5 13		
Little Britain	69	10 20	5 23		
Burnside	69	10 25	5 28		
Campbell Hall	72	10 32	5 40	6 30	
Stony Ford	75	10 37	5 44		
Middletown Ar			5 55		
Middletown Lv	78	8 30	6 00	6 45	
Winfields	82	8 45	6 10	6 56	
Rogers Sligo	84	8 50	6 20		
Guthries	87	8 54	6 34		
Summitville	90	9 00	6 45		
Ellenville	100	9 50	7 05		
Fair Oaks	103	9 55	7 20		
Huguenot	105	10 00	7 27		
Liberty Falls	111	10 15	7 37		
Liberty	113	10 20	7 45	8 07	
Parksville	117	10 30	7 55		
Rockland	122	10 45	8 20		
Hancock Junc	123	10 50	8 27	9 19	
Walton	135	11 05	8 45	9 53	
Sidney	144	11 20	9 00		
Norwich Ar	161	11 50	9 40		
Norwich Lv		12 00	9 45		
Oneida Ar	187	12 45	10 30		
Oneida Lv		1 00	10 45		
Oneida Castle	190	1 10	10 55		
Wampsville	196	1 25	11 10		
Canastota	200	1 35	11 20		
Chittenango	205	1 45	11 30		
Fayetteville	209	1 55	11 40		
Manlius	213	2 05	11 50		
Jamesville	216	2 15	12 00		
Syracuse	220	2 30	12 15		
Geddes	222	2 40	12 25		
Solvay	224	2 45	12 30		
Dewitt	226	2 50	12 35		
Erie Junction	230	3 00	12 45		
Buffalo	253	3 45	1 30		

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 New York Exp	12 Daily ex Sun	14 Delhi Ex	50 Local	2 Day Exp
	P M	P M	A M	A M	P M
Oswego Lv	12 35		7 20	5 45	
Oneida Ar			12 25	9 45	
Oneida Lv	2 11		1 15	9 55	
Oneida Castle		P M	1 15	9 55	
Norwich Ar	3 24	7 30	6 15	10 37	
Norwich Lv	3 40	7 45	P M	10 42	
Sidney	4 20	8 45		11 43	
Sidney Center		9 03		11 57	
Walton	5 0	12 15	9 38		1 33
Hancock Jct	5 25	1 30			1 20
Rockland		2 38	6 20		2 10
Lordville Mills	6 27	3 00	6 14		2 35
Parksville		3 6	6 25		2 51
Liberty	6 48	3 25	6 36		3 51
Liberty Falls		3 45	6 41		3 56
Harleyville		4 04	6 50		4 06
Fallsburgh	7 06	4 19	6 57		4 14
Centreville		4 40	7 04		4 30
Monticello D.		4 50	7 10		4 35
Summitville		5 15	7 26		4 55
Wurtsboro		5 25	7 33		5 12
Bloomingburgh		5 2	7 53		5 37
Wallkill		5 40	7 43		5 42
Middletown Ar	8 00	6 5	8 05		6 20
Middletown Lv	8 10	6 40	8 10		5 30
Middletown Main St.		6 48	8 18		4 32
Stony Ford		7 5	8 25		4 46
Campbell Hall		7 3	8 21		4 52
Burnside		7 38	8 36		5 7
Little Britain		7 59	8 46		5 08
Orr's Mills		8 15	8 58		5 19
W. Cornwall		8 20	9		5 21
Cornwall	8 53	8 3	9 0		5 43
Weehawken	10	6 11	00 10	30	7 00
New York W. 42d St.	10	30	11	15	10 40
N. Y. Franklin St	10	45	11	30	10 55
	P M		P M	A M	P M

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

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NORTH.	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
New York	8 30	.....	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 29	.....	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 42
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.	Daily a m	Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	4 45
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 08	8 07	5 25
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	.....
Franklin	7 29	8 58	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10
Paterson	9 03	.....	7 30
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 30	7 33
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 13
New York	9 53	11 23	8 23

† Stop on signal.

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Eastern Time.	U.S. Spec 601	S. Spec 625	S. Spec 617	8	7	29	25	15	27	5	33	11	9	1	21	17	14	606	620	18
Leave NEW YORK																				
Pavonia Ferry																				
Jersey City																				
Paterson																				
Turnerville																				
Monroe																				
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CONFERENCE OF MILK PRODUCERS

Called by the American Agriculturist to be Held in New York—An Organization of the Milk Producers in Five States Proposed—The Plan Suggested.

The *American Agriculturist*, at the request of many milk shipping farmers, has issued a call for a conference of milk producers, to be held at the Broadway Central Hotel, New York city, Monday, Dec. 21st, at 10 o'clock, and continue during the day.

The conference will be open to every bona fide farmer who ships milk to any city market in the Middle States, or to any creamery that markets milk, but no milk dealers (whether wholesale or retail), creamerymen, milk contractors or their agents are wanted. This conference is for bona fide milk producers and dairymen only, who are not directly concerned in the other end of the milk business. Later on the trade will be considered.

Discussing the call for a conference editorially, the *Agriculturist* says:

What the conference will do remains to be seen. There is certain to be some conflict of interest between near and remote territory, but there is enough common interest for both to unite upon. Our own idea is that the first effort should be toward an effective reorganization of the Five States' Milk Producers' Union. It is true that the former effort in this direction among producers for the New York market failed, but this was because it tried to walk before it could creep. After the conference has fully considered the whole matter, the following plan or some modification of it may well be adopted:

Choose a commission of a few capable and energetic men to push the work of organizing a local section of the Five States Milk Producers' Union, at every shipping station where one does not exist, to reorganize sections that are dead and wake up those that sleep. The local sections along each railroad should organize a district union to take charge of affairs peculiar to that route. Representatives from these route branches should constitute the central body and should have general charge of the producers' interests. This full board or its executive committee should meet at least monthly. It should employ one general manager (with such assistants as may be necessary) to complete the organization and to keep it up and conduct the immense amount of work it has to do. Auditors should be elected and detailed financial reports submitted, so that every member will know just what is done with every dollar.

The finances of such an organization are a matter of grave concern. Our own idea is that at least $10,000 a year are essential to maintain and operate a thoroughly business-like co-operation among producers, covering the whole milk-supplying territory. We believe such an investment would be rapaid several times over, under competent management, in improving the conditions of a business that pays farmers $10,000,000 a year for milk. The method of collecting whatever dues are imposed should be as equitable as possible, so that each shipper shall contribute according to his interest in the cause. If a cent or half a cent (or any small sum that might be decided upon) could be contributed for each can of milk shipped to market, then each shipper would be bearing his fair share of the union's work. If every producer was willing for such deduction to be made from the amount paid for milk, the union could collect it from the buyers, which would be the simplest and most economical way.

THE RAILROAD TRAINMEN'S BALL

A Large and Very Successful Affair—Winners in the Contests.

Middletown Lodge, No. 40, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, held its fifth annual ball, at the Assembly Rooms, last evening. The attendance was large and everything passed off very pleasantly. Dancing continued until early this morning.

The ring contest, which was exciting and interesting, was won by James Brink, of the Susquehanna and Western Railroad, who had 484 votes.

Refreshments were served by the Ladies' Auxiliary, at 12 o'clock. The auxiliary also offered a prize of a fancy soda tidy, which was won by Mrs. Chas. Doedl, who held the lucky number, 99.

The brotherhood had on exhibition a beautiful banner, which was presented to the order in 1885, by the ladies of Middletown when the order was known as the Brotherhood of Railroad Brakemen. The various committees in charge of the ball were as follows:

Committee of Arrangements—Chas. Doedl, chairman, E. R. Babcock, Wm. Dawson, Horace Jayron, Ed Henry.

Floor Committee—Chas. E. Ducolon, manager of floor, C. C. Prime, Chas. F. Case, Alvin Hoeft, C. B. Ayers.

Reception Committee—J. E. Doran, chairman, P. Colleran, W. B. Woh, Bert Schultz, Pratt Emerson.

A Surprise Party.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Booth, of Mount Orange, made them a surprise visit, last evening. There was a large company in attendance. Supper was served and Rossober's orchestra furnished music for dancing.

Poisons engendered by food fermenting in a dyspeptic stomach are the direct cause of rheumatism, gout, bronchitis, liver and kidney complaints, asthma, pneumonia and many nervous ailments.

These results are prevented by the use of the Shaker Digestive Cordial, a remedy discovered and prepared by the Shakers of Mount Lebanon, N. Y. It is in itself a food and has power to digest other food taken with it. Thus it rests the diseased stomach and finally masters the worst case of dyspepsia. It acts promptly and fresh strength and increase of weight soon follow. The first dose, taken immediately after eating, abates the pain and distress so dreaded by dyspeptics. Trial bottles—enough to prove its merits—10 cents.

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ON THE EDGE OF A "COASTER."

Wednesday's Storm Much More Severe in New York and Vicinity Than Here.

Middletown was on the outer edge of yesterday's storm, which was a "coaster." Those who went from this city to New York, yesterday, found the storm increasing in severity as they approached the metropolis, where a very fair imitation of a blizzard prevailed nearly all day. There was a heavy snowfall, and the wind, which was very cold, blew a gale, piling the snow in huge drifts.

There is good sleighing at all points east of the Ramapo mountains.

Not Yet Member of the New York Police Force

Owing to the large member of successful candidates who reported in New York, Tuesday, for appointment on the police force, J. Kirby Carpenter, of this city, was unable to secure his appointment on that day, but was directed to appear again on Saturday of this week. Each man who has passed all the previous examinations is required to appear before each one of the Police Commissioners separately, before receiving his appointment.

O. and W. Officials on a Business Trip

Attached to No. 1 on the O. and W., today, was President Fowler's car, No. 30, containing J. C. Anderson, general passenger agent; J. T. Dunbar, general eastern agent; Mr. Ten Broeck, general eastern agent of the Union Pacific; and P. McDonald, general emigrant agent of the O. and W. These gentlemen were going through to Oswego, on a business trip.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 18 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17, '96.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	111⅞	112⅞
Tobacco	75¼	76⅛
Chicago Gas	73	74¼
Nat. Lead	21	——
General Electric	81⅜	82⅞
U. S. L., pref.	59⅞	60½
Tenn. Coal and Iron	25¼	26⅜
A. T. & S. F.	13½	13⅝
C. B. & Q.	73⅜	74⅝
C. M. & St. P.	74¼	75⅛
R. I.	68	68¾
D. L. & W.	156	——
C. of N. J.	——	103½
Erie	——	——
D. and H.	——	125½
O. & W.	14¾	14⅞
Susquehanna & Western	——	——
Susquehanna & West., pref.	——	——
P. & R.	26⅝	27⅜
N. W.	102¾	103¼
L. S.	153	154½
N. Y. C.	94⅞	——
M. P.	19½	20⅝
Texas	——	——
U. P.	9¼	9½
W. Union	85¾	85
L. & N.	49	49½
Manhattan	92	91½
P. M.	24¼	24⅝
Wabash, pref.	——	16⅝
No. Pacific, pref.	——	——
W. L.	7½	8
Southern R'y	——	——
Southern, pref.	26⅝	27¾
May Wheat	79⅝	80⅝
May Corn	25½	25½
May Oats	20	20⅛
Jan Pork	$7 65	$7 62
Jan Lard	3 85	3 82

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FOR SALE—Hotel boarding houses, farms and private residences, also properties to rent. Enquire of ELMER PITTS, 1806t&w3mMch17 Bloomingburgh, N. Y.

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100 Building Lots at Reduced Prices for Thirty Days,

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Dated Dec. 7, 1896

HARVEY C. GOODGION, General Guardian, etc

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